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Medical

team late

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By Michael Baily

Transport Editor

The emergency medical team took over an bour to get

to last year's Manchester air

disaster because the airport

control tower failed to give it

sufficient priority in reporting

the accident, the North West

Regional Health Authority

In a second error, an airline

bus took 36 injured passengers

to the wrong hospital, the

The bead of the emergency

team, Dr Ray Lawton, empha-sized that the mistakes made

mistakes of this kind were

tade again."
The authority announced

that it is now carrying out a

review of air accident

According to the authority,

incident rather than as a full-

When an ambulence even-

tually reached the scene, the

full scale of the disaster was realised and help was sum-moned, arriving 79 minutes

By the time the medical

team reached the scene, all the

injured survivors had already

The second error was when

an airline bus driver took 36

casualties to Withington Hos-pital instead of Wythenshaw

Hospital, thus missing the

The inquest is expected

banning order has been lifted.

Colonel Leon Mellett, spokesman for Mr Louis Le Grange, Minister of Law and Order, said: "The banning order has not been lifted. It is

Later Colonel Mellett said

Mr Le Grange was discussing

the whole issue of banning

with government legal

only under review."

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Teachers in conference protest

not to take part in the pro-

gramme of preparation," be said, "That does not seem to

me to be either fair or reason-

able, it will not seem fair or

reasonable for pupils or parents." Children were enti-

tled to be taught for the new

The union's general secre-tary, Mr Fred Smithies, deliv-

ered a long reply in which he said that seeking the confi-

dence of teachers and serving

Levels of pay were leading to a crisis in the supply of

teachers, he said. This would

cause a catastrophe in the

GCSE confusion

likened to vermin.

Leading article

# Silent fury Vote to WALDHEIM greets reprimand by Joseph

Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science, angered the teaching profession again yesterday when he said he was appalled by the damage to the educa-tion of children deliberately inflicted by some teachers during the recent long pay

Their anger was conveyed pointedly when be was re-ceived in total silence by the 1,200 delegates of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Teachers, the second biggest teachers' union, whom Sir Keith was addressing for the first time at their conference in Scarborough.

In what was clearly an organized display of repressed hostility, not one delegate applauded when Sir Keith finished his speech.
At the Cardiff conference of

the third biggest teaching union, a motion of no confidence in Sir Keith was passed. Delegates representing the . 110,000 members of the Assistant Masters and Mistresses Association passed the resolu-

tion overwhelmingly.
At Scarborough, Sir Keith said that schoolchildren were not achieving high enough standards, schools were badly managed, and the education service would get no more money until it could show it spending its budget

Sir Keith referred to the union's decision this week to defend the maintained system continue its boycoti of preparations for the new GCSE examination. He said the exam would go ahead in present feaching force, and September despite the union's their dedication in meeting desire to see it postpoued. The bulk of syllabuses would be in mains that are made of them, schools in May, he said, and by his repeated statements the training programme was and actions that denigrate the

The big

How does it feel to

National on a rank

runners line up for

Aintree's great day,

Hywell Davies, who

describes fence-by-

extraordinary thrill of a race without

sweat and tension of

the starting gate to the triumph of the

winning post. And

Michael Phillips's

course, the full race

card with the form

Yesterday's £2,000 daily

prize in The Times Portfolia

competition was won by the

Rev F E Chard of Downham,

Clitheroe, Lancashire. Portfo-

lio list page 24; how to play, information service, page 16.

A Bill to tackle "tug of love"

child kidnappings has been introduced to control the un-

lawful snatching of children

by estranged parents Page 3

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Kidnap Bill

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on the sports pages, a full A to Z guide to

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wreck exam system By Our Education

Correspondent

The second biggest teaching union voted yesterday in Scar-borough to look for the best ways of disrupting public ex-aminations as part of industri-al action for more pay. The decision, which took the

leadership of the National Schoolmasters / Union of Women Teachers by surprise at the annual conference, re-

verses previous policy that public examinations should be exempt from industrial action. It means that the executive of the union will have to look at ways of wrecking the examination system and report back to members as a matter of argency. That could be at a special conference or at next

interest of pupils should not been seen in conflict. year's annual conference. It would be almost impossi-ble for the union of 117,000 "it is the Government's policy on finance which lies at members to decide to disrupt the beart of the problem of the the June examinations beeducation service in which our cause they are only three months off. But yesterday's decision could lead to Decemmembers have chosen to dedi-cate their lives," he told Sir ber resits or next year's exami-

nations being disrupted.

Mr Fred Smithles, general secretary of the NAS/UWT, said he did not regard the vote as a "significant" policy change. Delegates were "hav-ing their cake and eating it", be said. He believed the issue would have to be put again to a

Union delegates had spent yesterday morning attacking "My members feel a bit fractions so they want every-Sir Keith in one speech after one to understand what a another before he arrived in fearful fighting force they are", he said."I understand Scarborough. He was described as the "mad monk", that," The motion on examina-"a drowned rat" and he was tions was passed heavily, and to lond applause, after it had The union passed unanibeen amended. The amend-ment removed an immediate mously a motion condemning Sir Keith for "his failure to commitment to use examina-tions as an industrial weapon of education and his total and substituted a clause about failure to recognize both the the executive reporting back high quality of the work of the on the best ways of disruption. At last year's conference a

motion—to disrupt examina-tions was defeated by a major-ity of 200 votes and there was also a majority against at the NAS/UWT's special salaries conference in January.

teachers' value to society."

weapons. After the shooting of

Mr Waldorf, the Home Office

and Sir Kenneth Newman,

Commissioner of the Metro-

politan Police, agreed the level

of authorized police marks-

The Yard, according to the

men should be reduced to

about i2 per cent.

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

Scotland Yard is to reduce spokesman said the figures showed the desire to reduce the number of officers using arms so that only II per cent of the 27,000-strong force will be allowed to use arms compared with a current figure of

Cherry Groce in Brixton last

day that about 2,970 officers, including officers on protection duties, would be anthorized to use guns out of a total stength of 27,000, instead of the current figure of about 3,780.

In the last published report for the Metropolitan Police, for 1984, there were 4,631 officers authorized, representing 17 per cent of a strength of 26,844.

Yesterday a Scotland Yard



14 per cent. Police use of guns both in London and the provinces has come under considerable criticism in recent years with incidents such as the shooting of Stephen Waldorf in 1983. A London inspector awaits trial for the wounding of Mrs

Scotland Yard said yester-



Sir Kenneth Newman: agreed to reduction

### Westland share query

asked in investigate contro- Sikorsky and Fiat. versial share dealings in West-

The Department of Trade voted in favour of an £80 and Industry is likely to be million rescue package from

By Jeremy Warner, Business Correspondent

The suggestion is expected land before last Febuary's to be made by the Stock shareholders meeting which Exchange Details, page 17

ple, aged 18 to 24, said they went to a public house at least twice a week.

unions and university clubs is cheaper, an average of 60p to 75p a pint compared with an average of 82p for a pint of

deut at the City University elected national chairman.

High street record

### Woolworth faces £1.8bn bid battle

By Alison Eadie

The biggest-ever bigh street takeover battle broke out yesterday when Dixons, the fast-growing electrical goods retailer, launched a £1.8 billion bid for Woolworth Hold-

Woolworth, which was bought by its present owners for only £310 million three and a half years ago, rejected the bid as derisory and without commercial logic.

Woolworth shares soared 257p on the stock market to a closing price of 890p as the City speculated that other bids might follow. Takeover rumours have

no difference to the number of deaths, or to eventual treat-**WOOLWORTH** But he said: "It requires only a little imagination to visualize what could happen if

been swirling round Wool-worth for weeks. Dixons was thought to be the most likely bidder, but the company denied any intention of bidding.

ocedores. Manchester Airport de-Mr Stanley Kalms, chairinquest and inquiry reports Dixons, explained into the crash in which 55 yesterday."We had done our people in a British Airtours jet homework on Woolworth, but were not in bid mode until after we saw the 1985-6 figures, which came out last the airport's initial mistake was to report the crash to the medical emergency team as an

He described the figures showing a 43 per cent rise in pretax profits to £81.3 million in the year to February 1 - as very poor and said Woolworth still lacked a coherent retailing strategy. He called the goods it sells a mish-mash of inferior

quality. Mr Kalms added that Dixons would be able to develop a total formula for Woolworth based on the core product areas of leisure, home and

entertainment. Woolworth has 850 shops under the FW Woolworth name plus 176 B&Q do-it-youself stores and 179 Comet electrical stores.

Pretoria denies lifting

ban on Mrs Mandela

From Ray Kennedy, Johannesburg

As bindrets of well-wishers called on Mrs Winnie on Mrs Mandela's case, de-Mandela at her home in Soweto yesterday, there was confusion over whether her would not oppose her appeal

In Cape Town, Mr P. Natal's uncertain road, page 8

As bundreds of well-wishers Kleynhans, the state attorney

file on

feet compared with Dixons' 1.5 million. But Dixons is valued by the stock market at £1.6 billion compared with Woolworth's valuation of just under £2 billion yesterday. The key to acquiring Woolworth is with six financial

institutions, which hold 41 per cent of the equity. They backed the takeover of Woolworth in November

ing area of 14.4 million square

1982 by a management team led hy Mr John Beckett, who has just retired as chairman, The six are Warburg Investment Management, Robert Fleming, the Prudential, Legal & General, Merchant Navy

Fund Pension and Charterbouse Japhet. Woolworth's share price at 85p above Dixon's bid price indicated the stock market's belief that the bid would have to be raised to succeed. Stock-

brokers spoke of £10 a share being a fair price. Dixons share price also shot up yesterday, unusually for

60p higher at 430p. The company's heady growth record, and its successful integration of Currys in 16 months ago, have given it a strong following in the City. its interim profits showed a rise of 140 per cent and fullyear profits to April 9 1986 are

expected to reach £73 million from £39.6 million the year The bid by Dixons caused temporary confusion for Mor-gan Grenfell, the merchant bank which advises Wool-

worth, but also acted for Dixons when it took over

After a burried meeting, the bank withdrew because of the conflict of interest. Woolworth will be defended by N M Rothschild merchant bank. S G Warburg, which de-fended Currys against Dixons in an acrimooious battle, will

Sir Peter

**Pears** 

dies at 75

By David Hewson

Sir Peter Pears, Britain's

most famous postwar tenor,

died yesterday aged 75, only 10 weeks before the start of the

Aldeburgh festival which he

founded with his friend and

The singer's death came as a

shock to the East Anglian

festival where he had been

taking an active role in orga-

nizing the programme. But the

event will go ahead as planned, although it may be muted because of Sir Peter's

A graduate of Oxford Uni-

versity and the Royal College

of Music, Sir Peter began his

association with Benjamin Britten in 1939 and performed

the lead roles in some of the

composer's most important postwar operas, including Bil-

ly Budd and Peter Grimes.

death, a spokesman said.

companion, the late Benjamin

Britten.

### Dr Kurt Waldheim addressing voters yesterday in Krems, lower Austria, in his campaign to become Austria's president Peres call for Nazi Waldheim

From Zoriana Pysariwsky

New York
Mr Shimon Peres, the
Prime Minister of Israel, has
urged the United Nations to make public a file on the Second World War activities of Dr Kurt Waldheim, the former UN Secretary-General wbom Jewisb organizations accuse of concealing a Nazi

At a press conference in New York after a visit to Washington, Mr Peres said be did not see why the UN shoold keep anything secret. He beld ont the possibility that his Government would request access to Dr Waldheim's file. which along with 40,000 others was handed over to the UN for safe keeping in 1948 by the UN War Crimes Commission.

According to rules laid down by the commission, specific files may be unsealed only at the request of governments. The US is under pressure

from the World Jewisb Congress, which is spearheading a campaign to hold Dr Waldheim accountable for his alleged Nazi activities. The US and Israeli govern-

ments are besitating to ask for the file because neither wants to be accused of interfering in the internal affairs of Austria, where Dr Waldbeim is a presidential candidate in the May 4 elections. The same holds true for the

governments of Greece and Yugoslavia regarding accusa-tions that Dr Waldheim was a German intelligence officer and part of the operational nand which committed atrocities.

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# Arab is From Mario Modiano

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Greek security police and American agents despatched to Athens by the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) are looking for an Arab who may have placed the bomh that crippled a TWA airliner, killing four of its passengers.

over Greece on Wednesday.

The agents are acting on a lip-off from Italian authorities that a passenger, who travelled from Cairo 10 Athens on the plane's outward journey in sear number 10F, under which the explosion later occurred. may have planted a time-

bomb there.

The man left the plane in Athens, Italian officials told the investigators that the passenger, listed as Mansur, is a suspected terrorist and was involved in a 1983 attempt to plant a bomb on an Alitalia plane and is wanted for an attack on the Rome the 10 fer synagogue.

Cairo reports, however, indicated the passenger Mansur was a Lebanese woman.

The Athens investigation is relying on several metal parti-cles, collected in a ravine near the town of Argos in south Greece where the bodies of the four victims were flung out by the blast, to establish the nature of the explosive. The metal was being exam-

ined by Greek ordnance experts as well as FBI agents.

Other reports, page 7

who debriefed the plane's crew after ordering TWA to call off a scheduled news conference with its pilot.

Before being spirited away. however. Captain Richard Peterson told reporters he hoped the debris found near Argos would reveal where the bomb had been hidden.

The hero of the day, who landed the plane with 118 on board at Athens Airport 13 minutes after the explosion which tore a gaping hole in the fuselage, said it looked as if the bomb "was in a suitcase beneath seat number 10F".

"We do not know if it was a plastic explosive or dynamite. It could have been either."

The nilot said it was impossible that the bomb was tucked into a life-vest despite the very strict security checks in Cairo, Athens and Rome, both by local police and the company's own security men.

The pilot, a Korean war veteran aged 54, said only an explosion above the cabin floor could explain the lower leg injuries to passengers. One possibility would have been that the explosive was put in the wall of the plane.

Eight FBI agents and eight officials of the US Federal Aviation Administration are Continued on page 16, col 6

# FAMOUS GROUD LATEST SCOTCH WHIST Quality in an age of change.

### Students still find cash for drink

By a Staff Reporter Students are not prepared to sacrifice their entertainment and drinking in spite of their tight budgets, the Federation more on of Canservative Students alcohol." claimed yesterday.

A survey by the organization in 20 universities and colleges published today shows 46 percent of students admit to spending more than £14 a week on drink, compared with less than £1 on books.

While 18 per cent of male students said they spend more than £21 a week on drink, only 12 per cent of all students said they spent less than £3.50 a week at clubs or public houses, the survey found. Mr Mark MacGregor, FCS chairman, said: "This was not

halls and found many, particularly those in the first and second year, are spending more on entertainment and But he admitted many are having to horrow from the

bank, or parents, to stretch the budget further. Lager appears to be the most popular drink for men, while women prefer white wine or a gin and tonic, according to Mr MacGregor.

He said: "I think students should be able to relax away from their hard studying. Why shouldn't they be fun-loving? The survey, which interviewed 200 students, also found more than half spend more than £5 a week on a survey for rich Hooray concerts, cinemas, disco-Henrys. We interviewed orditheques and football.

The Tory students are using their figures to back the Government in abolishing stadent grants and replacing them with loans. But the National Union of

Students described the survey as an "exclusive Hooray Henry questionnaire". A2 NUS spokesman said recent figures showed students

spend less than £4 a week on entertainment and drink on average. A survey, commissioned by the NUS in 1982, found the average student spent less than £1 a day on a pint of beer or a glass of wine.
The NUS claims the majority of students have regularly to sacrifice a piat of lager and midday meal to survive A recent MORI survey on national drinking habits found

The survey of 1,500 people, aged 18 and over, found 16 per cent go to a public house at least twice a week.

lager, and 70p for ordinary bitter sold at poblic houses. Right-wingers have made a clean sweep of FCS leadership posts, withMr John Berkow. aged 23, a post-graduate stu-

Mr Jahn Carlisle, the right-wing MP recently harassed at campuses, was elected vicethat 40 per cent of young peo- president

against a ban on her returning

to Soweto. "To the best of my knowledge the order remains in force," he said.

Mr Ayob said on Wednes

day he understood that only the ban defining Mrs Mandela

as a "listed person" still stood.

going back home. They're

welcome to arrest me there."

Mrs Mandela said: "I'm

But the Brewery Society said that beer sold at student

Both took up residence in East Anglia where they found-ed the Brittee-Pears School of Advanced Musical Studies and built up the Snape Maltings as a new musical venue. Sir Peter gave up singing a decade ago but in recent years had appeared as a reader at occasional events at Aldeburgh

Aldeburgh Parish Church next week next to Benjamin Britten's grave. Obituary, page 14

He will be buried at

### Airport security on alert since US Navy clash with Libyans

1990s, and the emphasis will

move from aircraft to airports

ports and passengers operates

at three levels. The Interna-

tional Civil Aviation Organi-

zation provides generally accepted security measures

which will stop the transit of

terrorists and weapons be-

The Department of Trans-

port is instrumental in this

area and also oversees the second level of security pro-

vided by airport authorities:

aircraft passing through this

country and screening the people who board or leave

them. A national committee

of airline, airport amd police

officials pulls together policy.

Police, sometimes armed, provide the third level of overt

security, and collate intelli-gence for airlines and airports.

believes there has been con-

siderable progress in the past year, especially since the hi-

jacking of the TWA flight to

Beirut io the summer. Last December the ICAO, with 150

members, agreed new safety standards which include bet-

ter measures for checking

At the international level

tween countries.

Protection of British air-

Police and airline security from Athens to London. officials in Britain have been on alert for possible terrorist attacks such as the TWA blast last week of fresh trouble in the Mediterranean, a scniot police commander said

Commander Pat Carson, head of the Scotland Yard security operation Heathrow airport, said securiiy alerts primed by a special police intelligence unit at the airport were designed to react swiftly to the development of

events abroad. News of the US Navy action in the Ciulf of Sirte immediately prompted new security round potential targets in London, such as American

Yesterday senior officers at the airport considered the bombing in one of their regular meetings on security problems and today the TWA ncident is likely in be high on the agenda of a meeting of airline and airport security

managers at Heathrow. ... The heightening of security. especially concerning potential targets such as American flights, is the latest exercise in a British airport security organization which is said in be

highly valued internationally. In the past decade, the only big incident involved a bomb in a suitcase two years ago. which is attributed to a failed

attempt to destroy a flight

Medicine

absorbed

by skin

Pearce Wright Science Editor

A novel way of absorbing

The device, approved by the

drugs through the skin has been developed to reduce the

Committee on Safety of Medi-cines, is a small patch stuck on

the skin. It is replaced daily for continuous treatment, and

introduces the drug more

closely to the area where it is

needed, and in lower doses

spread more evenly over 24

The preparation contained

in the device demonstrated yesterday in London by a

research group of Schwarz Pharmaceuticals, at Chesham,

Buckinghamshire, was the most frequently used agent for treating augina; glyceryl

It allows an increase of

absorbing the substance through the skin is referred to

as transdermal delivery, and

the proprietary name for the

device, which contains the

medicine, is Deponit. It is not

the first transdermal system.

which was a patch to stick

behind the ear to control sea-

sickness. That ingredient was

The drug is virtually sucked

- One education authority

threatened yesterday to close

down schools where teachers

disrupted the new GSCE ex-

amination courses as confu-

Britain's 500,000 13-year-

All over the country head

teachers and parents braced

themselves for a new term of

disputes and uncertainty as teachers unions remained in-

GCSE course which the cur-

rent third-formers are sup-posed to take instead of O

The Conservative-ruled

Hereford and Worcester

falling rolis and warned that

the amount of disruption caused to an individual school

during the next few months

would be an important factor

out of the patch.

side-effects of medicines.

ter for Aviation, said yester-day that "good progress" was But an international cooferbeing made after work by a ence of air and sea port police committee including Britain, month was told that terrorist attacks could double by the the United States and the

Speaking on BBC Radio's World at One programme, he also pointed to work being done in domestic security. Heathrow's new Terminal Four includes additional security measures. For example, passengers coming off a flight cannot mix with those board-ing an aircraft.

senger boarding a flight at a British airport can check in his baggage and then fail to take his flight, leaving the baggage

Restrictions have been placed on baggage being checked in by a tour operator

or another airline. Passengers and their hand luggage are checked using X-ray equipment now installed at airports. But baggage in the hold is not checked as the Department of Transport says the Department of Transport

it would be too expensive and difficult to organize. However, baggage is checked on El Al and Irish flights. Mr Carson said his staff included an intelligence unit which constantly monitors events abroad and keeps a calendar of significant and dangerous dates in the calendars of countries and their



By Hugh Clayton

Council workers in Lambeth, south London, occupied the town hall yesterday to prevent Conservatives from taking control after the banning from office of most Labour councillors.

The move was planned last possible banning of councillors who took part in the abortive rates rebellion that began with 20 Labour councils.

Mr Jim O'Brien, chairman of the joint committee drawn from all unions in the council workforce, said that the workforce intended to keep Labour in power until all seats came up for election on May 8. "Then the local people can decide for themselves."

The noisy departure of 30 by dilating the coronary vessels and others supplying different tissues. The method of

local auditor that they had lost ratepayers' money through

wilful misconduct". Mr Ted Knight, one of the architects of last year's rebel-beth went on strike for the day a full-time councillor.

**Exams cause confusion** 

By Patricia Clongh

Muffett, chairman of the edu-

cation committee, said. A county National Union of

teachers facing the new tur-moil is Mr Michael Pipes.

headmaster of the City of

Portsmouth School for Boys

He has 311 third formers

who have to decide this term

what subjects they will sit in two years time. Mr Pipes has

demanding a fee per pupil for

the internal assessments marking and 24 NUT mem-

bers who he expects to insist

on teaching the old O level

MAJOR PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE AND URGENCY

We regrettably amounce that due to prohibitive and unobtainable insurance rates currently affecting shipments in and around the Gulf, valued in excess of £10,000,000

AN ISLAMIC COLLECTION OF

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RUGS AND RUNNERS. AND OTHERS FROM THE MORE IMPORTANT WEAVING CENTRES OF THE EAST

"We will not tolerate any £10 per pupil by Hampshire up for their careers".

He has also been allotted

education committee.

sion reigned over the future of Teachers representative de-

transigent over the two-year and chairman of the National GCSE course which the cur-

County Council pointed out also to contend with 34 teach-

that it is preparing plans to shed hundreds of school places in the 1990s because of places in the 1990s because of Women Teachers who are

in deciding whether it should and CSE courses.

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blackmail

of the council until midnight on Wednesday, also helped to devise the complex framework which is meant to foil Conservative hopes of taking

control in his absence. The main aim is to stop the Conservatives taking power year as a response to the although they now have a majority and to do nothing that could jeopardize a Labour election victory.

That was arranged before Labour lost its majority on Wednesday by switching the power to call meetings from the leader of the council to a new committee led by the mayor. A new mayor was then chosen to replace the one about to be banned.

Mr Kingsley Smith, the new mayor, can take up to three weeks to respond to a Conser-Labour councillors on vative demand for a council Wednesday night marked the meeting at which the policies vative demand for a council first mass bannings from of the old Labour majority

The Conservatives wormed that careful use of the The 30 had in go after the rules by the three remaining High Court rejected their appeals against the verdicts of a the new Conservative majority out of effective control

until election day on May 8. Council unions fear that Yesterday was the first day Conservatives would cut the out of office for many years for workforce if they took power. lion, who described himself as and were quickly supported by a 24-hour strike in Labour-Mr Knight, who was leader controlled Hackney council.

£30-£40 a head. To add to the

confusion some of the sylla-

buses have yet to be approved,

parents do not know what

Mr Pipes will be meeting his

NUT staff on Monday and

expects the meeting to be

supports his teachers' argu-

ments that the new system has

been inadequately prepared

and funded. He estimates that

nationwide it needs an injec-

Mrs Carol Barker, a mem-

ber of the parents' association

has a 13-year-old boy at the school and she said: "Many

parents are concerned by the

fact that the teachers have not

learned the new syllabus and who can say that the marking

will be correctly done? It is a

worrying time. The children

need the exams to back them

tion of £100 million.

The trouble is that he

scribed the warning as so that both children and

One of the 5,000 or so head they will be studying

innuendo being circulated in Sir John had a further meeting with the Police Federation and the Government promised to do everything possible to provide additional question of interfering with County Council for the new protection to officers and their homes, most of which are located in loyalist areas. he estimates will cost at least

attacked.

The chief constable and bis senior officers are seriously concerned at attempts being made to break the RUC by people described as "thugs and booligans" who intimi-date officers at their most vulnerable point by attacking

their homes and families. Mr Nicholas Scott, Parlia-mentary Under Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. said only a tiny minority of hooligans were involved and urged the community to sup-port the RUC and tell them of anyone suspected of carrying out attacks.

Early yesterday loyalists petrol-bombed the bome of a policeman in east Belfast as he, his wife and two children were asleep but the family

escaped unhurt.
In Lurgan a loyalist mob gathered outside the home of an intimidated police officer as Lady Hermon, wife of the chief constable, was visiting them. The police had to cordon off the area and escort Lady Hermon to her car as the mob threw a number of eggs at the police but she was un-

An IRA hungler has been ordered to carry out no further operations without clearance from the top.

The order was handed down

after Britain's most wanted woman, Evelyn Glenholmes, failed to give Irish police the dip when a court ordered her release two weeks ago.



Mr Baker on the road in Oxford yesterday (Photograph: Suresh Karadia).

### **Baker halts Oxford sprawl**

By Hngh Clayton Environment Correspondent

Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for the Environment, yesterday blocked further suburban sprawl in Oxford, but said housing and industrial space was needed in several towns near by.

Oxford is part of our bistory and we must make sure that it is part of our future, Mr Baker, an undergraduate at Magdalen more than 30 years ago, said in the city yesterday.

His anno comed by the Oxford Preservation Trust, which asked him last year to curb development by the Labour-led city council. Mr Baker said it was time to

RUC chief

acts to

allay fears

By Richard Ford

Sir John Hermon, chief constable of the Royal Ulster

Constabulary, yesterday sought to allay the fears of his

force and their families after a

third night of violent attacks

on their homes by "loyalists". In the wake of four more

intimidatory incidents involv-

ing petrol bombs, bricks and

stones, Sir John set up a

committee to consider the welfare of officers and their

families who have been

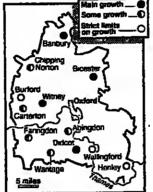
He is also to improve

communication between him-

self and the rank and file in an

effort to keep them better

informed and counter lies and



Oxfordshire growth areas

the built-up area from creeping outwards.
Mr Baker was with Mr John Patten, a minister of draw the inner boundary of the Oxford Green Belt, which the trust said was needed to stop Abingdon. The ministers wolds at Burford.

have to be growth in Oxfordsbire, but they wanted it to be confined to towns and not to be allowed to spread into unspoilt countryside and villages. They wanted county plan-

ners to make room for 10 per cent more houses than originally planned. They also want-ed sites made available in the centre of the county for "high-tech" companies that needed to be near university research facilities.

"Many of the towns and villages in the rural areas are of the highest value in heritage terms," Mr Baker said. The main housing growth will be in Banbury, Bicester, Didcot and Witney. Growth is to be curbed heavily in the historic riverside towns of Henley and Wallingford and in the Cots-

### Tories' picket on church meeting

By Richard Evans, Lobby Reporter

The Conservative candidate evening. We are going to have in the Fulham by-election yesterday organized a picket of a public meeting traditionto attend." ally organized by church leaders to dissuade voters from

Mr Matthew Carrington, ubbed the "invisible man" by his opponents because of his repeated refusal to share a public platform, accused the Fulham Council of Churches of being "politically motivated" and said it had deliberately attempted to exclude him from last night's

meeting. It was disclosed that Mr Carrington's agent had warned church leaders the meeting could be illegal and the Conservative Party would take legal advice over it going

The Fulham Council of Churches usually arranges a But last night's event, to which the Labour and Alliance candidates agreed to attend, clashed with a meeting

arranged a few days earlier by the Conservatives where Mr Norman Tebbit, party chairman, was due to speak.

Mr Carrington said yesterday that the council of churches had been unwilling to discuss changing dates. Consequently we are going to be picketing the meeting this

a leaflet there which we will give to everybody who attends that meeting asking them not

He was very reluctant to think the churches were politically motivated "but it is very difficult to escape that

He accused the church leaders of trying to organize their meeting so it deliberately clashed with the Tebbit event, making it difficult for him to attend. He dismissed suggestions that the Tebbit meeting could have been rearranged. because the party chairman was so busy.

The Rev Timothy Poh, chairman of the council of churches, reacted angrily to Mr Carrington's accusations saying he had done everything possible to try to accommodate the Conservatives. He public meeting during parlia-mentary elections with the main candidates attending.

had brought the time of the churches meeting forward by one hour to enable Mr Carrington to attend and then go on to the Tebbit event. The Conservatives had shown very great reluctance to attend the meeting since they were originally invited. Mr lan Sanderson, the Conservative agent, had used "strong

> "I am very upset about what has happened and just cannot understand why the Conservatives bave appeared not to wish to attend."

### Upstart in pursuit of good old Woolies

By Alan Hamilton

A form of one-sided marriage was proposed yesterday between Woolies, the dear old lady of the high street who has seen better days, and Dixons, the brash upstart all hung about with cameras and home anout was cameras and nome computers. The takeover bid is on for one of the most familiar names in British retailing that started life ahead of the times, but has found it ever harder to

keep up. Frank Winfield Woolworth was an American retail store clerk who had the bright idea that sales might be improved if all the merchandise were laid out on a table for the custom-

He opened his first shop in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in 1888, pioneering the idea of the walkaround open display store that had its entire stock displayed on the counter.

Woolworth had built up a thriving chain across the United States by the time he shipped his idea to Britain and opened his first European store in Church Street, Liver-pool, on November 5, 1909, in the heart of n working-cla metropolis instantly receptive to his trading policy that nothing in the shop would cost

He sold broken biscuits. sweets, housewares and other prosaic necessities of back-teback industrial life.

His Liverpool store quickly spawned another in the same city, and soon n chain across Britain. He enjoyed the flattery of imitation, some of it blatant, including n group of stores in Northern Ireland using the same red and gold shopfronts and calling itself F.A.Wellworth and Co.

By 1950 Woolworth had 762 stores in Britain and by 1958 the chain had reached a peak of 1,000 stores.

But affluence gradually overtook the Woolworth philosophy and profits began to slide. The company was sold in 1982 to the Paternoster consortium, ending all vestige of connection with the original American parent and leading to a slimming exercise which has now reduced the number of

Last year Woolies made further concerted effort to shake off the residue of their sixpenny image, revamping their store at Hitchin, Hertfordshire, quickly followed by 
11 others across the country, 
in pastel colours and reducing their multiplicity of lines to six basic areas; children's toys and clothes, records and tapes, stationery and confectionery, do-it-yourself and gardening, table and kitchenware, and

Two bundred stores are to be biased towards leisure, the remainder to rely more heavily an Woolworth's traditional leave politics at the next

### Nissan in quotas dispute with rivals

By Clifford Webb Motoring Correspondent

Moves by Nissan UK to double sales in Britain in the next two years in apparent breach of the 11 per cent "ceiling" on Japanese car imports, has brought the privately-owned company into conflict with many of its own dealers, the Motor Agents Association (MAA) and rival

Japanese importers.

The latter have protested to their Tokyo headquarters demanding action by the Japa-Automobile nese Automobile Manufacturers Association (JAMA) which "polices" the quota system setting individual manufacturers shares based on controlled annual

shipments. The dispute will be on the agenda at next month's halfyearly meeting between the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT) representing British interests and JAMA, although it will not be

raised by the British. The MAA said last night that writs had been issued by Nissan UK against the association, its director-general, Mr David Gent, and Mr Martin Derrick, editor of the association's monthly magazine, Motor Trade Executive, alleging that an article in the latest issue dealing with Nissan moves to reorganize its dealer network contained lies, distortion and half trutbs".

The agreement with the British Government stipulates that initial assembly of 24,000 cars a year due to commence at Washington, Tyne and Wear, in July will be subtracted from Nissan's existing import quota. Even if phase 2 is advanced from 1990 to 1988 it means plans to double British sales in the next two years can be achieved only by breaching the 11 per cent restriction or at the expense of Japanese rivals.

**Banking union** rejects merger

The 157,000-strong Banking, Insurance and Finance Union bas rejected merger overtures from ASTMS, the scientific and technical staff

But talks between ASTMS and the manufacturing staff union, Tass, are proceeding. which could create a grouping of more than 600,000 white-

### **Prior on list**

Mr David Prior, aged 30, a British Steel sales director, has been shortlisted to succeed his father, Mr James Prior, as MP for the Suffolk constituency of general election.

### NGA leader denies demo obstruction

Mr Tony Dubbins, the gen-ough that if print nnion eral secretary of the National leaders wanted an end to Graphical Association who was arrested outside the Wapping plant two weeks ago. Appeared before Thames mag-ontside News International's istrates vesterday charged with obstructing the highway. He was released on unconditional bail after pleading "not guilty". The hearing was adjourned until May 21.

• Mr William Shiel, aged 31,

a bricklayer, of Tiller Road, Poplar, east London, accused of demanding £50,000 with point." menaces from News International was committed yester-

new technology plant at Wapping east London be said: "It's no good the attractive Miss Brenda Dean saying in her most boneyed tones that she doesn't like the violence. If she called off her pickets the men of violence wouldn't have a rallying



### **Prayer Book dispute**

### Church conflict reopens

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent

Another round of conflict between the Church of England and Parliament is presaged by a new survey on the use of traditional public prayers, which has been described hy a leading church campaigner as a "blazing scandal".

In spite of promises to Parliament from cburch leaders, the aurvey found that less than half of students training for the Anglican ministry were nsing the 1662 Prayer Book regularly. Most clergy went to their first parish without firsthand experience of the tradi-tional Book of Common Prayer, the survey discovered.

The Prayer Book Society, which has promoted legisla-tion to protect the status of the 1662 book, regards the survey as ammunition for a renewed campaign, including further action through its parliamentary lobby.

lu answer to criticism from MPs and peers in parliamentary debates in the past, bishops and church spokesmen have cited an official

appeal by the bishops in 1981 asking theological colleges to finalitarize ordinands with the 1662 book. The survey shows an advantage were quoted as evidence of the church's general sympathy for the retention of traditional services. that move in favour of tradi-tional language services to have had little effect.

Among second year and later students for the priest-hood, 224 said they had used the traditional services "very often" or "often" in their colleges, and 460 said they had used the Alternative Service Book to the same extent. Most had used the 1662 services 'seldom" or "never' The survey is the latest

chapter in n war between church leaders, who are largely in favour of the 1980 modern language Alternative Service Book, and n strong lobby of laymen and clergy, who are supporters of the 1662 Book of Common Prayer. They were responsible for

the simultaneous promotion, in the Houses of Lords and Commons, of the Prayer Book Protection Bill. It was well received by many members, but withdrawn after the 1981

Professor David Martin, of

the London School of Economics, who jointly arranged the survey on behalf of the Prayer Book Society, commented on the survey results: "The situation is n blazing scandal in which the public integrity of the Church of England is clearly comproun worst of the scandal is that so few churchs knowledge what has gone on".

Mr Anthony Kilmister, vice-chairman of the Prayer Book Society, said yesterday that some bishops appeared to have encouraged the theologi-cal colleges to "wink" at the 1981 statement. "I feet the bishops in particular and the General Synod have not keny General Synod have not kept faith with Parliament", he said.

Theological colleges in the Cburch of England are inde-pendent of the bishops and of the General Synod.

### Lawyer fined £1,000 for breaking code

A Teignmouth solicitor was fined £1,000 by a Solicitors' Disciplinary Tribunal in London yesterday for "extremely foothardy and ill-conceived" breaches of the profession's breaches of the profession's code on advertising Mr Rouald Kentisbeer, who

practises in Carlton Place. Teignmouth sent details of a computerized conveyancing system to local newspapers and, by error, gave details of a proposed "striptease" stunt But one newspaper published a front-page article utled: "Solicitor's Amazing Striplease Stunt" with a picture of a female model

through a keyhole Mr Kenusbeer demed that he had given any interview, either formal or informal, to the paper or to another one which published an article saying that Mr Kentisbeer intended to "tout" for convey-

ancing customers. The tribunal found Mr Kennsbeer guilty of conduct unbefitting a solicitor, but cleared him of allowing publi-cation of the "striptease stunt" arucle or material "touting for conveyancing work.

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RUGS AND RUNNERS. AND OTHERS FROM THE MORE IMPORTANT WEAVING CENTRES OF THE EAST being an ancient art form which were accumulated in both Europe and the United States for exhibition and repartation to the following countries of Iran, Iraq and Turkey.

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### Tough measures to end loopholes which allow 'tug of love' kidnaps

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

Tough measures to tackle tug of love" child kidnapping were published in the Government's Family Law Bill yesterday. The Bill aims to help retrieve children who have been unlawfully snatched by estranged parents and taken off to another part of the United Kingdom beyond reach of a court order. Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, Lord Chancellor, who

introduced the Bill, said: These measures have at their heart the welfare of the impocent victims of disputes be-tween parents - the children." He said it would help close loopholes in the law which determined and unscrapulous people are at present able

child against its best interests suring that custody orders from one part of the United Kingdom to another; conceal its whereabouts, and "frustrate the efforts of the courts to secure the child's welfare, often by cynically playing off

The Government had al-ready taken action to deal with international child abduction through the Child Abduction Act 1984 and the Child Abduction and Custody Act 1985, due to come into force this summer.

The new proposals deal with child abduction within the three jurisdictions of En-

Legal aid lawyers threaten system

By Our Legal Affairs Correspondent

The chairman of the national body for solicitors specializing in legal aid, the Legal Aid Practitioners' Group, has pulled his Cambridge firm out of criminal legal aid work because of the poor rates of

It is the latest of a growing number of firms stopping criminal legal aid work, including Bowling and Co. of east London, which has one of the heaviest legal aid practices, and the Legal Aid Practitioners' Group says that others will follow.

Mr Peter Soar, chairman of the LAPG, said: "The government-controlled rates of pay are so low that solicitors actually lose money doing criminal work under legal aid." Because of this Mr Soar's own company is withdrawing altogether from crim-

mal legal aid.
Mr Soar expressed concern that more and more firms will be forced to follow suit and the public will find it increasingly difficult to find lawyers willing to do the work. He added: "We cannot be optimistic for the future of the service."

The Government has agreed a routine 5 per cent uprating in criminal legal aid fees from April 1, and is the wake of the successful High Court action by the Bar, negotiations are about to start between both branches of the legal profession and the Government on pay claims ranging from 25 to

Legal aid lawyers say the 5 per cent increase is totally imadequate to meet rising over-

Parents could remove a and Northern Ireland, by enmade in one part of the United Kingdom would be recognized and enforced in another.

Courts would have powers to order that a child's whereabouts be disclosed, order a ooe jurisdiction against child's recovery when it had another," Lord Haisham not been given up in accordance with a custody order, and order surrender of a passport of a child prohibited

from leaving the country.

The Bill, based on Law Commission proposals, provides for new rules which would settle the particular United Kingdom country in which a custody case can be decided; enable custody orders made in one United Kingdom country to be en-forced in another; and establish procedures for enforcing custody orders.
The Law Commission cited

as an example of the present situation a case of a child living in England with his mother, but whose father starts divorce proceedings in Scotland. Both English and Scottish courts can decide custody. The Scottish court gives it to the father, the English court to the mother.

There are no precise figures on the invidence of this

on the incidence of child kidnapping within the United Kingdom, but the Foreign Office estimates that about 200 children are abducted abroad each year. The Lord Chancellor's Department said yesterday the figure for internal kidnappings was thought to be at least that, and rising. The Bill would also aim to rationalize the rules of the three jurisdictions so that parents could not evade a court order, or frustrate custody proceedings, just by invok-ing the jurisdiction of courts in another part of the United



Muffety (left), a Shar Pei bred from healthy stock has been spared an overwrinkled coat, but Bulldog Dempsey had to be given a tracheotomy as his exaggerated breeding caused breathing troubles (Photograph: Chris Harris)

### Efforts to end dog breeding cruelty

erinary Association called yesterday for an end to breeding practices which it says inflict pain and disability on dogs in the name of fashion.

At a press conference in London vesterday, Dr Peter Bedford, from the Royal Veterinary College, Hertfordshire, and the association's central information

water supplies were not sup-ported by medical evidence, Dr David Bryson, chief medical

officer of ICI's agricultural division, said yesterday.

Green vegetables, including

celery, spinach, cabbage, cau-

Nitrate risk 'minimal'

Fears about health risks liflower and lettuce, had far

curring nitrates, he said, yet

there was evidence to indicate

that they could be beneficial in

Nitrates were among the

preventing stomach cancer.

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rom excessive nitrate levels in higher levels of naturally oc-

officer, said the Kennel Club was making efforts to overcome hereditary problems by revised breed standards.

At the press conference examles were shown of the Chinese Shar Pei, a dog that has a heavily wrinkled face which can suffer eye troubles because the eyelids could turn in. It can also suffer chronic skin inflammation.

The association says that if the Shar Pei is bred from healthy stock it need not suffer at all from its wrinkled coat.

Bulldog Dempsey had to be given a tracheotomy because he could not breathe properly. Dr Bedford said that the trouble had evolved "basically through the whims of mankind".

### Scarman seeks fair trial for computers

By Bill Johnstone

Technology Correspondent Computers could soon be oping barristers and judges lo weigh up the validity of in arguments. Lord Scarman to

said yesterday.
Judges and counsel would, he said, have to learn about ry-computers and the Govern- im Kong ment had to recognize the m. 1 Ting impending changes and make ale south money available to equip is courts with the new est echnology.

Addressing a London con- ses id 1.50 ference on computers and the hn :1st Balaw he said: "Courtroom use a Male law he said: "Courtroom use a Malf of the computer should be ok come commonplace, especial-rs, is d ly in the Court of Appeal and a ia's 21 the House of Lords. Why a ention should not counsel's legal argument be tested in court by reference to a computerized ts. data bank (information bank) and to the computerized iihrary service ...?

The courts could have their own link to these two sources: and the judges in court could put inquiries and nget answers which would as- 15. Sist the argument. IT-The lawyer will need his u-

own computer, or set of computers (for they are likely ly to become small and inexpensive), to store and to enable of him to analyse and assess the information which reaches him from the commercial data in banks as well as from his client, witnesses, experts and other sources".

### BBC changes its mind on cricket

This summer's important cided to provide full Radio 3 Derek Jameson, will make his one-day cricket matches will commentaries on the four debut as breakfast presenter. be covered by BBC Radio one-day internationals against

India and the finals of the

The decision comes after Benson and Hedges and the television service was NatWest competitions. criticized for not covering the Radio 2 is to start its spring test series in the West Indies. schedules on Monday when Now the corporation has de- the former Fleet Street editor. Holness

The day will include live broadcasts from HMS Ark Royal at sea. The Radio 2 season will include new shows Richard Baker, Angela

Rippon, Paul Jones, and Boh

### Children's snack diet criticized

By Our Science

Urgent action by the Department of Health to encourage healthier eating habits among children is being called for by intritionists after an official report shows that youngsters are eating more macks than any other single

The department yesterday which indicates that children risk serious illuess later in life

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fatty and sugary foods.

Although based on a survey of more than 3,000 children aged 10 to 15 in 1983, the report has not yet been pub-lished. Ministers are consider-ing whether to publish an

interim report.

The findings show that children eat more chips, crisps and snacks than anyother single od, such as meat or fish. They cat 10 times more white bread than wholesical bread, consume too many sugary drinks, and take too little fruit and fresh vegetables.

### Savage's message on natural birth

control over the birth of their action. babies rather than submit to doctors, Mrs Wendy Savage, cian, talked at the symposius the consultant obstetrician, of the "arbitary guidelines told an international sympo-

sium on childbirth yesterday. The increasing rate of caesarean births was "an absolute madness" that only women could stop, she said. Further-more: "For many women, the chance to try for a natural birth, even if it fails, is absolutely essential.

"We should rediscover some of the wisdom of the ages and stop the ever-increasing spiral of intervention. I think that nature does know

Mrs Savage was speaking yesterday at the 1986 Interna-tional Childbirth Symposium in London, which has as its theme the question: "Child-

birth today: informed or performed?"
"We have forgotten how to look at women in labour and pick up subtle signs of their condition because we are too busy writing things down and

Women must re-assert their kicking machines into

Dr Steven Silverman, a the arbitary rules laid down by leading American obstetri-doctors, Mrs Wendy Savage, cian, talked at the symposium that compel women to "undergo a caesárean section or a forceps delivery."

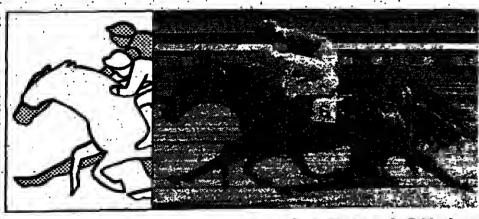
> "Although these procedures may sometimes be appropriate, in the majority of cases marter of convenience.

> There are many complica tions that occur, both in the infants and the mothers, because of such intervencions. I don't believe women are fully informed of the risks

> The symposium, at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, ends today.

Pilgrim flights

Knock airport in Co Mayo will open for flights carrying pilgrims from Britain on May 23, the local parish priest, Mgr James Horan, who promoted construction.



Racing for the line: Play the Knave (No 6) is behind Castle Warden at the finish, shown

### Horse racing judge resigns

By Richard Dowden

A racing indge who caused a attended the scene said: "It near-riot when he changed his was absolute bedlam. People decision about a winner at who had backed the original Hereford on Easter Monday,

resigned yesterday.

Mr Peter Roffe-Silvester, a udge for 21 years, said he had ritten to the Jockey Club ndering his resignation and had no further com After the Newton Williams

Handicap Chase he annunced that Castle Warden, the favourite, had been beaten by Play the Knave in a photo nish. Nearly 40 minutes later after the weigh-in had been announced and the bookmakers had paid out on Play the Knave at nine to two. declared the winner to Castle Warden, the heavily

backed even-money favourite.
The photograph clearly shows Castle Warden the winner. But in accordance with betting practice the bookmakers would not pay out on a decision corrected after the

eigh-in was announced.
The police were called as farious punters hammered on the doors of the stewards and fite offices. One officer who

were very unhappy "We were called in because

officials were worried about what might happen if things

Mr Roffe-Silvester's wrong decison will have saved the big off-course bookmakers thousands of pounds. Bank holiday punters often place accumulative bets on favourites, so that as each favourite wins, their winnings are put on the favourite in the next race.

Play the Knave was the only winner that was not a favourite that afternoon at Hereford. Ladbrokes said yesterday that it would be impossible to estimate how much would have been paid out on that race if the favourite had won, but it would certainly be thousands

The £2.544.60 prize money however will go to Castle Warden and the horse will be recorded as the official winner unless a complaint by Mr

Mark Harrington, Play the Knave's jockey, is upheld. The Jockey Club is holding an inquiry into his allegation that Castle Warden interfered with

him at the last fence.

He said: "If the judge's first decision had gone against me I would have objected there and then, as Castle Warden took my ground after the last fence. But when it was announced that I had won there was no point. I am new going to ask the Jockey Club to reverse the

Mr Roffe-Silvester, aged 61, of Williton, Somerset, made a similar error at Wincanton in 1984, but it was to do with placings not the winner. The Hereford steward, Mr John Williams, said: "He admitted his error and I know

he was very opset. It was very

difficult to separate the bors-

es... but it is an The last time an error was made over a winner was at Fontwell in October 1983 when the race was wrongly awarded to a horse at eight to one instead of the 11 to 10 Not for the meanish

LWe were in two minds whether to publish this week's lead article in The Spectator.

Its subject is frightening – literally beyond conception.

But we decided to go ahead because the matter has now become so urgent.

Andrew Gimson investigates current experiments on human embryos in Britain, and asks, "Where does science fiction begin?"

After reading the article you may think that certain science fact should end.

In an altogether more humorous vein, John Mortimer takes us on another voyage round his eventful week in the Spectator Diary.

Just back from a visit to the

to the Communist border, he tells of dinner there with

a Lieutenant-Colonel.

As a trio plays Schubert in the background, the Colonel proclaims that his officers are individuals - they all wear different coloured socks.

Mortimer notes the frustration amongst the ranks: "They are involved in an endless game of 'let's pretend', like actors forever rehearing for a play which can't be performed, because the first night would mean the ending of the world."

With all this, and Enoch Powell on the Domesday Book, Isabel Colegate on Anthony Powell's new novel, and Charles Glass on Colonel Gaddafi, "all human life is here."

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complete survey of the wreck of the Titanic are seeking British sponsors to invest £2.2

The Anglo/French expedi-tion, due to take place during July and August when the weather is most suitable for diving, will use an unterhered, three-man submersible to descend 13,000 feet to film the wreck, 400 miles off Newfoundland.

A teleguided robot, attached by cable to a French-built diving submersible, the Nautile, will film the 74-yearold sweek and study new chiscies of marine life. The thintile's two mechanical lipins will recover some relics, such as silver plates, metal framents, wine bottles and deck rehairs, for scientific

"It's a race against time. Unless we find a major British corporation or consortium prepared to invest £2.2 million, the expedition will end up in American hands." Mr Brian Worley, a Sussex ma-rine salvage consultant and retired deep sea diver, said. Mr Worley has teamed up with Mr Ken Clutterbuck, a

Under 10s

seek help

on drugs

are among those who have telephnned BBC Helplines for

advice about drugs.

More than 500 calls have

been received at Helpline centres in London and Glas-

gow after the anti-drugs televi-sion programme, It's Not Just

Children under the age of 10

Mr Worley said the technical co-ordinators of the expedition, Taurus International, a company based in Paris which specializes in offshore project management, believe it should be an Anglo/Frencb

"We need a patriotic entrepreneur willing to invest in Britain's history and pioneer-

The French Institute for Oceanographic Research, involved in the Titanic expedition last September with the US Woodshole Oceanographic Institution, will supply the submersible, a pilnt and a copilot and surface support vessel with a crew of 25 scientists.

"This is a tremendously exciting project and one in which Britain should have a chance to participate," Mr Robert Chappaz, chairman of Taurus International, said from Paris yesterday.

The Nautile submersible, which weighs 18.5 tnns, has a titanium alloy pressure hull and external structure. It is capable of exploring 97 per cent of the surface area of the ocean floor and successfully

French organizers of an London businessman, to find completed the Kaiko diving expedition to film the first a sponsor. Japan last summer.

The expedition studied the Pacific sea-beds and continental shelves at a depth of 6,000 metres. The Nautile left an early warning earthquake system on the sea-bed.

"Ideally we would like to invite a British observer as the third man in the submersible. It should be an Anglo/French expedition or a European venture," Mr Chappaz said. The French organizers would like to invite the Prince of Walcs as an abserver, he said.

The submersible, designed and built by the institute, is undergoing final sea trials and will be ready for the expedition in June. Two support surface vessels

and towed advanced research sonar vehicles were used in the September expedition. The first photographs of the Titanic were taken by a US robot vehicle, Angus, which

However, the submersible will not have to rely nn a cable system from the support sur-face vessel and will be able to Submersible

6000m Diving

A formidable challenge for

operated from a surface sup-port vessel via an umbilical explore the wreck freely. A documentary film and books are planned, with British and international televisinn networks showing

This will be the first complete film survey of the Titanic. But it will also provide a wealth of material for biologists and scientists." Mr

Also, the US Navy submersible, Alvin, will join the Nantile for several days to participate in the first joint simulated rescue and retrieval operation at 13,000 feet.

**British industry** told to change or face decline

Sir John Harvey-Jones, chairman of ICI, challenged are too many unnecessary Britain last night to bury old distinctions between the shift prejudices and adapt to floor, office and challenge, or face irreversible management," he said.

"People are not treated and the said."

decline. Sir John, delivering the Richard Dimbleby lecture on be treated, as individuals who BBC1, made an impassioned speech on behalf of Britain's manufacturing industry in which he launched a scathing attack on "them-and-us" attitudes

He said: "The historic relationships between the CBI and the Tory Party and between the Labour Party and the trade unions have been a means for preserving totally outdated, adversarial attitudes.

This terrible symmetry of political and industrial 'sides' has a great deal to answer for. "Our political system is in itself adversarial. As each successive government has reversed the policies of its predecessor, British industry has been constantly marching up the hill and marching down again," Sir John said.

"The Grand Old Duke of York has been nur constant companion. Winning an industrial race against interna-tional competitors with this kind of handicap is like racing Seb Coe wearing a diving

suit.' Britain's manufacturing in-

"People are not treated, val some cases are not allowed to

are part of the same team. "Industry is above everything a team job; our team versus the competitor team. Teams only work when people feel part of them, and a team is only as strong as its weakest

In a lecture entitled: "Does industry matter?", Sir John said everyone wished for a better Britain. Nobody took pleasure in crumbling sewers, low pay for teachers and a squeeze on the health service.

"But what we have to into our heads is that these political footballs only cause our wealth-creation is inadequate. It is not a question of allocation, it is a questinn of having enough to

Sir John argued that earnings from service industries, banking, insurance and tourism, could not replace manufacturing industry.

"Manufacturing is not only a vital provider of the products we need and a creator of employment, it is also the dustry was becoming so undervalued that the decline pays its way in the world," Sir could become irreversible.

### Call for stricter noise controls at airports Present noise limits around

By Michael Baily Transport Editor

New regulations are needed control noise around Britain's airports, and more compensation should be available for all affected by it, Which? the Consumers' Association magazine says in its

Zammo, for children on The programme, presented by Jnhn Craven from Newsround and Nick Ross from Drugwatch, was aimed at helping children to "Just Say

No" to drug pushers. A spokesman said yesterday that almost half the calls received in the first 24 hours after the programme were from young viewers inquiring for someone other than

themselves. Most were seeking help for the first time and not all calls were from drugs users. Of the users who did call, 45 per cent were aged between 15 and 19, 25 per ceot were 14 and under. and there were even a few from children under 10. The remaining 30 per cent of callers who admitted being

users were 20 or over. "It's very heartening to prompted young people in great need of help to seek it for the first time, John Craven

 The number of deaths from solvent abuse in Scotland has more than dnubled in a year. There were 24 fatalities from abuse in 1985 compared with nine in 1984. Among 14 and 15-year nlds 12 solvent-related deaths were recorded last year, compared with three in 1984.

Heathrow and Gatwick were set 25 years ago and do not achieve the best standards of quiet in today's conditions, the

> sbut out aircraft noise with double glazing and other forms of insulation, only three sur-

report says.

Of the original grant schemes to enable people to

be required by law to acquire seriously hlighted properties...

With flights expected nearly The report cites examples of to double by the end of the illogicality. Present noise rules century, Which? says there allow the Boeing 747 to contin- will be more aircraft in the sky

vive the report says, at Manchester, Birmingham and
Leeds/Bradford. Such grants
should be available to all
homes badly affected by aircraft noise and airports should

ne in service but not the quieter
and possibly more noise in
spite of the advent of quieter
engines. It calls for the following steps to control it
of improved noise regulations based on scientific re-Many aircraft could be flown more quietly, the report says, quoting Manchester as an airport with an enlightened Improved noise regula-tions based on scientific re

search with stricter controls and better monitoring;

• More insulation grants plus purchase of seriously blighted properties;

### Hell's Angel ban lifted

Television from showing a death. Last week the inquest documentary on the death in found that Mr Mikkleson, custody of a Hell's Angel.

The High Court yesterday there was a risk of prejudice lifted an injunction which had being caused to an inquest prevented London Weekend into Mr Jnhn Mikkleson's aged 34, of North Kensington. The programme, to be west London, was unlawfully shown tonight, was banned killed. Seven policemen have after six policemen claimed been suspended.



The Oakham School International Tournament at Oakham School, Rutland, is becoming one of the world's

strongest junior international tournaments.

The tournament sponsored by Mr John Gerwood, a former pupil, is designed to give young British players the opportunity to play some of the world's strongest juniors.

This year's event, which ends on April II, has 42 players representing 23 countries including Czechoslovakia. Yugoslavia, the US and England.

An English junior player, Stuart Conquest, the Hastings international master, bas made a fine start by winning his first round and he must be classed as one of the favourites to win first prize.

Mark Condie, an international master from Scntland, won quickly in 33 mnves.

Problems with planning: 3

### **Bureaucrats hold** the best cards

The Government wants to help builders and other developers to cut through the maze of regulations that can make it hard to win permission to build. But, as Hugh Clayton, Environment Currespondeut, reports in the last of three articles, it can be even harder to stop permission being given.

Every few seconds a faint jolt could be felt through the chairs in Mr and Mrs David Belben's elegant hame. It came a brief but perceptible interval after the thump of a pile-driver on a building site on the nther side of their pleasant walled garden near the centre of Warminster in Wiltshire.

Mr Belben said that the shock of the impact of the machine that was driving concrete piles into the ground next door was travelling through the rock underground and making itself felt in their

The Belbens have spent months fighting a planning application to build a dormitory annexe for a local girls' school on open ground behind their hame, which is listed as a Grade Two building of bistoric interest.

Their campaign has won support from several local residents and some councillors, but it was not enough to sway West Wiltshire District Council, the planning authority which allowed the annexe to be built

Their end of the town is a local ennservation area, which means that English Heritage, the quango that looks after

listed buildings, should have been told that a new building was planned there. After planning permission

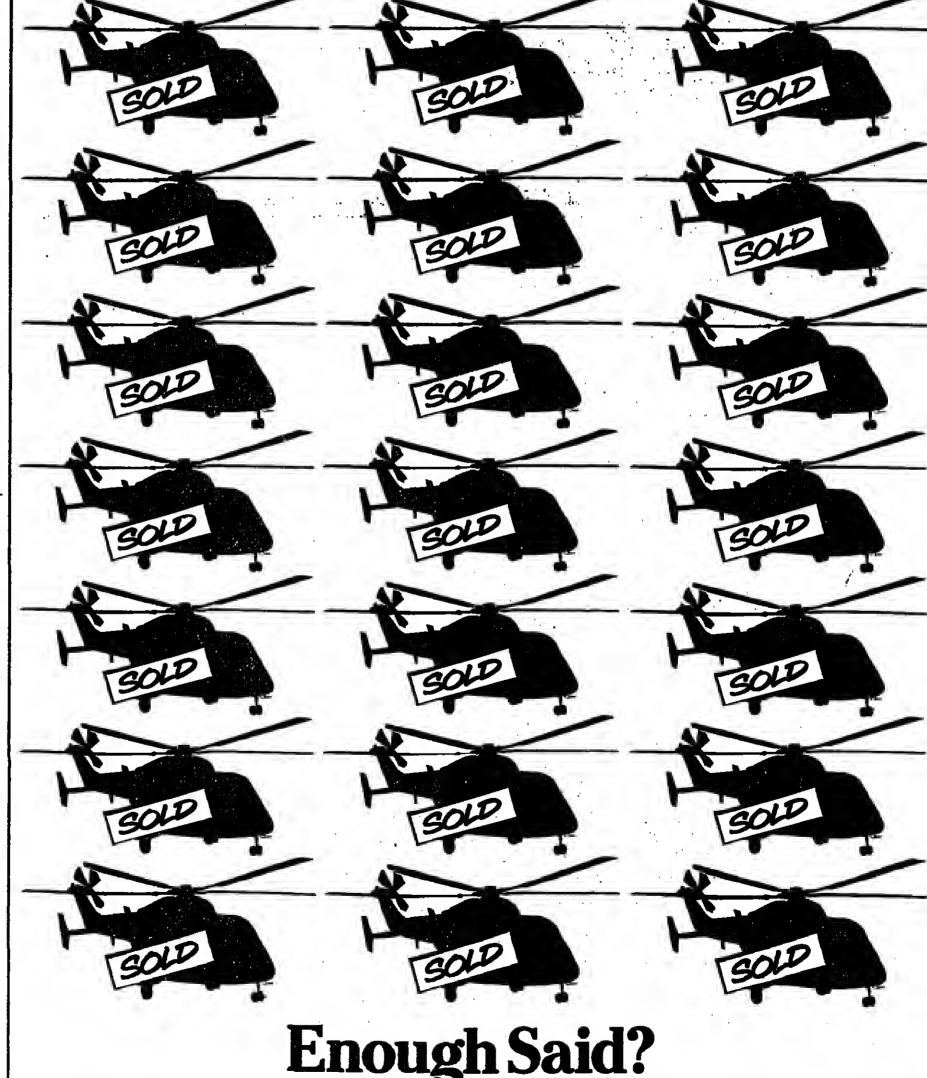
had been given, the Belbens learnt from West Wiltshire District Chuncil that English Heritage had nnt been told. The council apologized and assured the Belbens that changes would be made to avoid similar errors in the future. But the permission to build behind the Belbens' garden had to stand.

Next, the infuriated couple tried politicians. Their case rose as far as Mr Richard Tracey, a parliamentary un-der-secretary of state at the Department of the Environment responsible for planning He inld them it was a local argument in which he could not intervene.

"I am extremely upset," Mrs Belben said, "The tranquility at the back was one of the reasons why we bought it." Mrs Anna Macpherson, an

architectural adviser with English Heritage, said the concrete tiles and artificial stone planned for the annexe would not blend well with the weath-ered stone of the surrounding houses, including the Belbens home. But she pointed out that the commission's role was only advisory. It could not force a council

The Belbens encountered a feature of the planning system that has floored many an objector against new buildings. It is that once permission has been given the building work can race ahead. Even if objectors can win the argument, they may find their victory soured by the new structure that stares them in



Frankly, there's been more than enough said about Westland over the past

This ad is not about politics, it's not about recriminations, it's simply about success. What's more, success for the newly recapitalised Westland plc. Two days ago the contract signed recently, to supply 21 Westland 30's to the

Helicopter Corporation of India became effective. Three year's negotiation is over, two years of manufacture is about to begin. For an order worth over £65 million.

10. 10. 10. 10. 10.

At the moment we've little else to say. (And anyway, if you'll excuse us, we've got work to do.)

WESTLAND Westland pic Yeovil England



# Bing-bong! British Airways announces e arival o lerminal

If you think advances in air travel don't happen overnight, think again.

Between the last flight on April 11th and the first on the 12th, we'll transfer our Paris, Amsterdam and intercontinental services to the most modern terminal building in the world. The first thing you'll notice about Terminal 4 is that it's huge: 64 Check-In desks mean less congestion, less queueing.

Avoiding stairs, escalators and lifts you can wheel your trolley direct from car to plane.

There's easy access by road, parking for 3,200

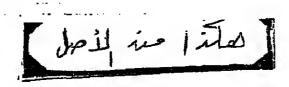
cars, a brand new Underground station and our own fast, frequent bus service to and from Terminal 1 (from which our domestic and other European services will still operate).

British Airways wishes you a pleasant flight through the world's most advanced terminal.

BRITISH AIRWAYS

The world's favourite airline.

Terminal 4 designed and built by the British Airports Authority



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# Libya ducks bomb blame

of Sirte last week.

inspire them.

Palestinian group was respon-

From Robert Fisk Tripoli

Obviously anxious to avoid yet another confrontation with the Americans, Libya is going out of its way to avoid blame for the bombing of the TWA Boeing 727 airliner over Greece on Wednesday.

Quite apart from Colonel Gadaffi's own denial of responsibility, officials in Tripoli were asserting repeatedly yesterday that Libya knew nothing about the attack, it disapproved of it and — in the words of one Gadafii functionary — "so far as we are concerned the matter in the matter."

The passengers on a plane like this could be mixed, not just Americans. Anyone could disapproved of it and - in the concerned the matter is

After the attack on passen-gers at Rome and Vienna airports in December, Colonel

Mafioso

'sings'

in court

470 alleged gangsters yester-day and said he decided to

'sing" because the criminal

society had betrayed its ideals. Buscetta, aged 57, made his

long-awaited appearance at the two-month-old trial being

held in a fortified bunker next

to Palermo's Ucciardone jail

after being flown from the US.

He had given evidence at the "Pizza Connection" Mafia

trial in New York, enabling investigators to indict 467

alleged gangsters on charges ranging from drug trafficking

Ignoring the cages contain-

ing many of the accused,

remain a member of the Cosa

spirit as when I joined.

"But, from the 1970s on-

wards, the ideals of Cosa

Nostra changed and there

have been acts of violence

Arab arrests

fuel Israeli

suspicions

Jerusalem - The arrest recently of an undisclosed

number of Israeli Arabs re-

Israel's pre-1967 borders may

be becoming more involved in

terrorist activity (David Bern-

The men arrested, said to be

members of Dr George Habash's radical Syrian-based

PFLP, are suspected of having

murdered - 19-year-old Ser-

geant Moshe Tamam after

picking him up while he was hitchhiking home.

the investigation into the mur-

der of several other Israelis

during the past two years may

regime and accused of in-

volvement in a plot to over-throw the Islamic republic, a

be nearing completion.

The press is suggesting that

stein writes).

to murder.

Yesterday, however, Libyan television news broadcast film of the bombed TWA airliner on the tarmac at Athens, quoting agency reports on the casualties with neither com-ment nor embellishment. It was the fifth item on the evening bulletin.

The Libyan leader's own statement was clear enough. "Who could do such a thing?"

be on that plane. My little son could be on that plane. This is not Libya's fault."
Colonel Gadaffi could not

airports in December, Colonel resist noting that President Gadaffi initially praised the Reagan's policies had "created

killings as a justified blow an international campaign While Colonel Gadaffi may against the United States. against Americans. While Colonel Gadaffi may well have been quite ignorant What he did not say was of the impending attack on the that he has personally helped TWA airliner, he said only in

to encourage just such a January that he was prepared to "give assistance" to revolutionally by specifically calling for attacks against American "interests" their individual acts". their individual acts". throughout the Middle East in His officials put a somewhat retaliation for the confrontadifferent gloss on matters yesterday. "We didn't plan this and we didn't do this, and tion between the Libyans and the US Sixth Fleet in the Gulf

If it turns out that a "We are against terrorism. sible for the bombing - as an The Americans cannot accuse us this time."

we think it was wrong," one

anonymous telephone caller to a news agency in Beirut
suggested — then it could be
difficult for Colonel Gadaffi to

Washington's restrained reaction to the bombing has led
the Libyan authorines to beclaim that he did not help to lieve that another round of mutually ahusive rhetoric be-tween Mr Reagan and Colonel Gadaffi can be avoided.

### Finger is pointed at Cairo

From Peter Nichols

The Italian authorities yesterday denied that inadequate security at Rome airport had allowed the bomh to be taken on board the TWA Boeing.

Signor Oscar Scalfaro, the Interior Minister, said that "a person suspected of being in the lists of wanted terrorists certainly boarded the aircraft at Cairo and left the flight at Athens. In the course of his journey he was seated at the point in the cabin where the bomh later exploded",

The minister gave no name but investigators say that a suspected Arab passenger named Mansur or Mansour boarded the flight in Cairo.

After the terrorist had left the flight at Athens the aircraft flew on to Rome with the bomh still hidden under the seat he had occupied and returned to Athens with the bomh still intact.

Baby Demetra Klug and her mother Maria, of Annapolis, Maryland, TWA blast victims. Mrs Klug's mother also died.

He defended the US decision to sail the Sixth Fleet into to Athens hut too late by a few minutes to destroy the affirmation of maritime rights.

missing British teachers None of Beirut's extremist which was reported to have Beirut (AP) - Students and factions has claimed to have abducted the men last seen at

teachers at the American University of Beirm yesterday staged a half-day strike to protest against the disappearance of Mr Leigh Douglas, a political science professor and one of two Britons missing Mr Douglas, aged 34, of

Norfolk, was reported missing after failing to show up for classes on Tuesday.

The university's faculty association unanimously voted to ask all members to stop

teaching pending an investigation into his disappearance. The other missing Briton is Mr Philip Padfield, aged 40, of Bideford, Devon. He is the director of the International Language Centre in Beirut.

Faced with North Korean

threats to disrupt this year's

Asian games, South Korea and the United States are consider-

ing the use of airborne warning and control aircraft to keep

watch on the North, with anti-

aircraft missiles ready to ward off any attacks and the US

The plans were announced after the annual security consul-

tative meeting between Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US

South Korean counterpart, Mr

Lee Ki Baek.

A joint committee will be set

up to review security measures

for both the Asian games and the Olympic Games in 1988 "so

that we can respond very strongly to disruption efforts by

In recent negotiations the

North Korea", Mr Lee said.

Defence Secretary, and

Navy standing by.

a west Beirut bar.

Sir Juhn Gray, heavily guarded, leaving yesterday's meeting with a top Shia official.

Beirut students strike over

Sir John Gray, the British Amhassador to Lebanon, yes-terday met Mr Hussein ussef, a senior official of the Shia Muslim Amal, in an effort to locate the missing

• French quit: French ceasefire observers left embatiled Beirut yesierday, ending a two-year mission monitoring clashes among rival militias (Reuter reports).

and the Lebanese Army, Beirut.

Seoul ready to defend games

From David Watts, Seoul

North Koreans have been de-

manding a half share is what would be called the Seoul-

Pyongyang Olympic Games. Their failure to win that share of this important pie is likely to

bring disruption, the South

Washington says North Ko-

rean forces are now deployed in

much greater strength near the

border, with 65 per cent of their

ground forces there. The South

helieves this is part of a strategy

to win a decisive advantage in

the first week of any fighting,

before US reinforcements ar-

rive to supplement the 40,000 American troops already here.

The deployments by the North "seriously reduce warn-

ing time, and continued vigi-lance will be required", the joint

Koreans fear.

awarded them medals.

France ordered the force home on Tuesday, saving its task had become impossible because of continuing clashes

militia and guerrillas loyal to tact group said. Yasser Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization, battled with mortars and rocket-propelled grenades in Beirut's Sahra and Chatilla refugee camps yesterday (Our correspondent writes).

The seven days' fighting has | said. Port officials said the 45 claimed at least 28 lives, most sailed from Jounieh after fare- of them civilians living in and Snap reward well ceremonies with militias around the camps in south)

ing systems and increase ex-

changes of strategic infor

Mr Weinberger yesterday reiterated America's "unshake-

able commitment in the peace.

security and freedom of South

helping to defend a democratic

government in South Korea he

replied: "I'm satisfied that what

we're doing is desired by the

Government of the Republic of

Korea and is essential for the

preservation of the Government

and the preservation of freedom

He said he would not get involved in the internal affairs

of South Korea when it was

suggested to him that opposi-

tion rallies were an invitation to

North Korea to create trouble in

Heat still

on Palme

and peace in the peninsula."

Asked if he felt the US was

mation.

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the South.

## Gurkv exercis Kuala Lumpur (AP) - M

laysian forces are conducting joint exercise with Britis Gurkhas from Hong Kong the jungles of Kota Ting district, 150 miles south

It involves 2,000 peopl including 250 troops of the 6 Gurkha Company and 1.50 personnel from the 21st Ba talion of the Royal Mak Regiment.

The joint exercise is d signed to train Malaysia's 21 Banalion in convention warfare and to enhance o operation and understandu with British Army units.

### Norway gets new paper

Norway's leading quali newspaper, Aftenposten, too country's first national Sur day newspaper since 1919. It iold its staff that a 32-page. weekend edition will he pu lished from Saturday, Apr

### Cash transfer Chambery, France (Reute - Four masked gunmen bur into the offices of a fund

transfer company here an escaped with 8 million frant (about £800.000). Mission over

### Lima (Reuter) - Peru hardered the Internation

Monetary Fund to close i mission in Lima.

### Rapist shot

Port Moreshy (Reuter) Police rescued a kidnappe Australian woman raped by gang on a golf course t shorting dead one of he seven attackers and woundir

### Dalai's tour

Amsterdam (Reuter) - Tr Dalai Lama is to visit We between rival militias along Beirut's Green Line front.

• Militias clasb: Shia Muslim month. a Dutch-Tibetan cot

### Modern China

Peking (AP) - China, when all land and important indutry is state-owned, is draftir its first bankruptcy law, th Vice-Premier, Mr Yao Yilii

The mayor of San Francisco Mrs Dianne Feinslein, offere \$500 rewards to citizen photographing graffit

### Cairo trial



The Egyptian prosecutor Mr Muhamed Abdel Aziz el Guindi, announcing tha charged in connection wit the February riots in Cair which killed 107 people.

### Long sail

Miami Beach (AP) - Afte weathering 24 days crossin the Atlantic alone on thei specialty equipped sailboard Iwo Frenchmen arrived from the Bahamas, completing th first part of their journey from North Africa to New York.

### Space tribute

Washington (UPI) - Nas but later released for lack of and the Astronauts Memoria evidence, said yesterday he Foundation have announced was still under "deep plans to build a memorial b the Challenger seven and oth er asironauts who have los Swedish domestic news agen- their lives in the line of duty.

### Kabul deaths Moscow (AFP) - Two Sovi

et diplomats in Kabul havbeen sentenced to death ani executed for gold smuggling according to an underground news bulletin circulating here

### Eleven killed

Magdalena. New Mexico (AFP) — A US Air Forci HC130 plane crashed in ; desolate area of New Mexico killing all 11 crew members.

New York (AP) - A Steinway baby grand pland that furnished Rock Hudson: Manhattan flat and a needle point rug created by the late actor were hig sellers at ar auction of ilems from his estate which brought a total o almosi \$90,000.

### Dud bomb

Washington (AP) - Lav enforcement officials and postal workers have found ? dud letter bomb sent to the US Senate majority leader, Mi Robert Dole of Kansas.

Nor can a Libyan denial be accepted without question. Tripoli on terror offensive

Libyan-backed terrorist organizations have stepped up their planning in the past two months. Mr Michael Armacost, the US Under-Secretary of State for political affairs, said yesterday, citing American intelligence reports. Washington, however, had not found any direct link between Libya and Wednes—

By Nicholas Ashford, Diplomatic Correspondent

day's bombing of a TWA word," he said. Libya had in the past publicly admitted sponsoring, financing and supporting terrorist operations. "Whether or not he was conference linking four countries by satellite, Mr armacost said the US did not give much credibility to Colonel Gadaffi's denial that Libya not found any direct link word," he said. Libya had in the past publicly admitted sponsoring, financing and supporting terrorist operations.

"Whether or not he was give much credibility to Colonel Gadaffi's denial that Libya not claim as well as our own intelligence reports, that he is between Libya and Wednes—
"We would not rely on his

Recent intelligence reports had demonstrated that future terrorism would not only he directed at targets in the Middle East, North Africa and Western Europe, "but in far-flung portions of the The US had no intention of

terrorist operations gener-

responding to an overture from Libya for dialogue with Wash-ington. Two Libyao emissaries visited Saudia Arabia recently to try to establish contact with Vice-President Bush when he visits Riyadh this weekend. Mr Armacost said Libya would have to improve its conduct before the US would

agree to talk.

reform

expected - his science and echnical revolution and the reform of management struc-ture. But it's sounding now more rhetoric than action," a Western analyst said.

form had promised radical changes in prices, wages, finance and management policies to decentralize decisionmaking and attune the economy more to the realities of the domestic and interna-

# Bulgarian

gested by Mr Todor Zhivkov the veteran leader, may be less

the four-day meeting.

Mr Zhivkov's opening address and the Central
Committee's report have failed to develop sufficiently the themes of reform and "scientific and technological revolution". It has not been explained how the new economic line will be implemented, diplomats said.

form attempts, known as the new economic mechanism, had failed to improve the quality of Bulgaria's industrial

an elaboration on the role of January. This would act as an auxiliary body to the Council of Ministers (Cabinet), allocating resources

# 'lacks fire'

output. "His thrust yesterday was as

Earlier statements on re-

Sofia (Renter) — Signs are emerging from Bulgaria's Communist Party congress that economic reforms sue-

vigorously promoted change for the past year after it became clear that earlier re-

radical than rhetoric suggests.

"The congress seems now to be running out of steam. I can't see another Hungary or Yugoslavia emerging here," one Western diplomat said yesterday, the second day of

The Bulgarian leader has

The only new element was an economic council set up in

### Nevada N-test step attacked by Moscow Geneva — By rejecting an admonition by Mr Moscow's call for a joint Gorbachov that Moscow

moratorium on nuclear weapons tests, the United States testing if America went ahead was taking a dangerous step that could lead to catastrophe. Mr Andronik Petrosyants, a senior Soviet official, told the accept an American invitation 40-nation disarmament conference here yesterday (A Correspondent writes).

Mr Petrosyants, chairman of the Soviet State Committee American delegate, did not for Atomic Energy, repeated respond.

night in Buenos Aires. The

sports arena, at which several

thousand people listened as

would be forced to resume with a test in Nevada later this Soviet scientists could not

to observe the Nevada blasi because this would amount to approval of continued testing. Mr Donald Lowitz, the

case on the islands. de Cuellar would be asked to mittee organized a rally in a exert pressure for negotiations in accordance with the UN resolution approved last year. Senator Gass gave a warning that "if Great Britain contin-

One veteran soldier, Senor Victor Villagra, was cheered as

Cuellar stated: "I will not withdraw from my efforts to help both parties begin negoti-

### case man Mr Victor Gunnarsson, the man originally charged with the murder of the Swedish Prime Minister, Olof Palme,

suspicion" by the police. In a letter to TT, the cy. Mr Gunnarsson, who is being kept in protective custody at a secret address, said many members of the public also suspected that he had

killed Mr Palme. He attacked the Swedish mass media for their handling of the case.

A forensic test by West German police in Wiesbaden on a jacket worn by Mr Gunnarsson located minute particles of gunpowder on a sleeve. However police said yesterday they had been unthe bullets fired at Mr Palme | Hudson sale able to link the particles with and his wife, Lisbet, who escaped unhurt

A Swedish Air Force jet has taken more serial pictures of the area of central Stockholm where Mr Palme was shot on l February 28, as the hunt for the murder weapon, a .357 Smith & Wesson revolver. continues.

Police now seem to believe the gun may have been thrown on to a roof. All 3,000 such Smith & Wesson revolvers licensed in Sweden were yesterday being checked by

Iran's gentle face of Islam The winners of the Onassis prizes, which each carry a dies aged 83 \$100,000 (£67,000) grant, were announced yesterday by Professor Yiannis Georgakis, Ayatollah Kazem Shariat-Madari, one of the five grand

ayatollahs of the Shia branch of Islam, has died in a Tehran hospital aged 83 (Hazhir Teimourian writes) The ayatollah, who came to directed by Herbert von Karajan, and the European Com-munity Youth Orchestra. prominence during and after the 1979 revolution in Iran as the gentle, pragmatic face of the clergy, was later placed under house arrest by the

in society was won jointly by the International Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims in Copenhagen and Agence France-Presse, the charge which he denied He French news agency, for its continued to enjoy a consider-continuous, fair and prompt cation of diplomatic efforts to recover the islands.

### Bonn first choice for French visit

Ambassador to Moscow two Raimond. weeks ago, chose Bonn yester-day for his first trip abroad as France's Foreign Minister. The venue was intended, by

regards the other as its most important European relation. With the same intention, it was announced after M Raimond's talks with his West German counterpart, Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, that Bonn would also be the venue for M Jacques Chirac's first

tional scene as newly-elected Prime Minister. Buscetta told the court "I Herr Genscher spoke yesterday of West Germany's "con-tinuing good relations" with France. But there is no doubt Nostra (Mafia) in the same that the arrival of M Raimond, the impending arrival of M Chirac and the expected continuation of the which do not correspond to the original ideals." regular meetings which Chan-cellor Kohl has with President

Mitterrand, have raised here the characteristically German question: who is in charge? The Germans like tidiness

Washington - The presiported to have received terrorist training in Syria has provoked concern here that the traditionally quiescent Arah population inside dential commission investi-gating the Challenger shuttle disaster held a public hearing and highly qualified men and

flight safety problems system. (Mobsin Ali writes). Astro Mr William Rogers, the former Secretary of State, said his panel was giving careful long been exposed to poten-attention to their concerns. tially fatal hazards.

### Schmidt wins **Onassis**

neace award Athens - Herr Helmut Schmidt, the former West German Chancellor, bas won an Onassis Foundation award for his contribution to peace (Mario Modiano writes).

the foundation's permanent secretary. The award dedicated to man in his environment is shared between the Salzburg Festival,

The prize dedicated to man

# Palermo (Reuter) — The Mafia informer. Tommaso Buscetta, made his first appearance at a trial of nearly until he ceased to be French his skills, it will not be M

The West Germans realize that diplomats can also be the real makers of foreign policy, The venue was intended, by but they assume the French both France and West Germachose a diplomat at this ny, to emphasize that each particular time because those

are the sort of skills needed to carry out whatever foreign policy emerges Nevertheless, the West Germans want to know what that

foreign policy will be. In the past year, there has been disagreement between France and West Germany appearance on the internaabout the space-based Strategic Defence Initiative. France is against it and West Germany officially, and guardedly, is in favour of at least the

research stage of Star Wars.
Bonn will want M Chirac to clarify his thoughts on the issue. If they turn out to be genuinely different from M Mitterrand's, the West Germans will then have to reconcile themselves to their closest

European partner having two policies on important matters. The West Germans console themselves with the thought that the French themselves

in French foreign policy, as in that the French themselves all else. Whoever in the Quai now have the same problem. **Astronauts questioned** "The space shuttle pro-

> Astronauts testifying yesterday included Commander

yesterday to question senior women who fly the shuttles astronauts worried about have confidence in the

commission's chairman and a John Young, who recently charged that astronauts had

The fourth anniversary of

the invasion that started the

1982 Falklands war was com-

ter. Señor Dante Caputo, the

Interior Minister, Schor Anto-

nio Troccoli, the Labour Min-

tional markets. Argentina honours Falklands dead

memorated io Argentina by numerous small but emotionally laden ceremonies. Throughout Wednesday the three armed services held In a document read at the ceremonies honouring the ap-proximately 1,000 dead while rally it was claimed that 65 per cent of the veterans are unemofficial homage was offered in a Mass attended by President Alfonsin, the Foreign Minis-

ister. Senor Hugo Barrionuevo, the Defence Secretary, Senor Horacion Jaunarena and the heads of the armed forces. The Mass was held in the military chapel of Stella Maris. The homily by a chap-The former soldiers delain emphasized the intensifi-

A demonstration by sup-porters of ex-servicemen, esti-mated at up to 5,000 strong, punishment of the political Argentine Government an opmarched in the evening from the Plaza de la Republica, where the former combatants have been holding a "campout" for four days, to the municipal government build-

ployed, 70 per cent lack housing and 28 per cent are without medical services. The marchers, mainly from human rights organizations and left-wing political and student groups, responded fervently to chants of "Attention, attention, Malvinas are the road to liberation," and

denunciations of General Galtieri, head of the military crowd that included national junta during the conflict. legislators.

he claimed that the islands were for Argentina an "historic right." In a smaller demonstration held in front of the Congress. ex-servicemen spoke before a

the powerful".

On the diplomatic front, the manded the formation of a arrival, on the day after the ations. This purpose will be, commission, in which they war's anniversary, of the Unit-certainly cen would participate, to investi-ed Nations Secretary-General, to Argentina." war's anniversary, of the Unit- certainly, central in my visit

and economic as well as portunity to further press its military guilt for the defeat". Two other commemorative The Senate foreign relations events were held on Tuesday committee chairman. Senator Adolfo Gass, said Senor Perez South Atlantic Tribute Com-

right-wing Peronist leaders from the Iron Guard faction ues in its intransigent posi-tion, we will insist before the denounced "imperialism and Assembly (of the UN) on a repetition of that resolution." The UN Secretary-General is spending two days in Argentina, during which he will meet President Alfonsin. In an interview with the daily paper La Nacion Señor Perez de

### Natal sets out on uncertain road to black majority rule

A conference which could lead to the acceptance of black majority rule by South African whites, albeit only at provincial level, opened yesterday in the city hall of this bustling port on the coast of Natal.
The Chief Minister of the KwaZuhi tribal "homeland", Chief Gatsha Buthelezi, told the gathering of 750 dignilaries, guests and delegates what powers the assembly that the conference was the would be given. tryst which we in this region and in all of South Africa have

with destiny.

It offered an opportunity
to cut the Gordian knot of racism and injustice which has cost our country so dearly" and could be a turning point, determining whether South Africa's problems would be solved peacefully or through

The KwaZulu tribal government, which administers more than 40 fragments of territory scattered throughout Natal, and the Natal Provincial Council, which runs those parts reserved for whites, are the co-convenors of the con-ference, or *Indaba*, to use its

The two bodies have already submitted a proposal to the government for a joint executive authority in Natal. on which they would he equally represented. The brief of the Indaba is to draft a proposal for a joint legislative assembly.

Any representation in the proposed assembly based on population must produce a black majority. In mid-1983 the province had 6,620,323 people, of whom 5,232,135 were blacks (mainly Zulus), 706,691 Indians, 586,018 whites (mainly English-speaking) and 95,479 Coloureds. There is also the question of

After the public opening session, the 34 organizations represented, either as full participants or observers, began their deliberations behind closed doors. The rest of the

conference will be in camera. It could last for three to six months, meeting once or twice a week. Its final proposal is to be the product of "consensus" and could possibly be submitted to all the people of Natal in

Nine organizations turned down or ignored invitations to the *Indaba*. They include the radical African National Congress and the United Democractic Front, and the two main independent black trade union groupings the Council of South African Unions and the Congress of South African Trade Unions.

These groups maintain that a special constitutional structure for Natal would be divisive and hamper the cause of

### Briton's marriage falls foul of apartheid laws

Kirkwood, South Africa (Reuter) - A Briton has given np his battle to live in South Africa with his Coloured mixed-race) wife and has foul of remaining apartheid

er, aged 23, speaking from this small Eastern Cape town yesterday, said she would soon join her 54-year-old husband, Jack, in Britain, but "I don't know whether I'll go there permanently

South Africa this year scrapped laws barring sex and marriage between people of different colours.

The Salters, however, like had thought this meant their problems were over, have run foul of remaining apartheid race laws which segregate A tearful Mrs Imelda Salt- living areas and most trading

> The municipality of Kirkwood this year refused to renew Mr Salter's licence to run his supermarket in a "white" area, saying that he must consider himself Coloured like his wife and move to \* Coloured area. The couple were married last year.

### Rebuke to Tutu after speech on sanctions

From Ray Kennedy Johanneshurg

Black and white political organizations in South Africa were polarized yesterday after the call by the Anglican Bishop of Johannesburg, the Right Rev Desmond Tutu, for punitive sanctions against the Pretoria Government by the international community.

In a scathing comment, Mr Louis Nel. Deputy Informa-tion Minister, said such measures would be disastrous for blacks in South Africa and neighbouring countries, "but not for the Bishop of Johannesburg".

A police spokesman refused to say if they were investigat-ing possible charges of economic subversion against the bishop. Conviction carries a maximum sentence of 20 years in jail.

Bishop Tutu gave an ultimatum to Pretoria to begin dismantling apartheid within two years when he was enthroned early last year. On Wednesday he detailed

his efforts since 1976 to ersuade government leaders "urgently to remove the causes of black anger" but added that nothing President Botha had said convinced him that the present government was serious about dismantling apartheid.

He described Mr Botha as a man who had lost the "convictions of his courage" after telling whites they could not alone determine the country's future for ever.

Both the United Democrat Front (UDF) and the Azanian People's Organization (Azapo), the two largest legal anti-apartheid groups in the country, yesterday exhibited rare agreement in support-ing the bishop's call.

Mr Murphy Morobe, UDF spokesman, said he hoped the international community would see it "as a desperate call . . . to exert more decisive pressure on this racist government". Azapo said the hishop's action was long

But there was strong rejec-tion of the bishop's call from across the white political spectrum. Mrs Helen Suzman, the opposition Progressive Federal Party MP, said sanctions would cause "horrendous" unemployment in South Africa. which has no social security safety net.



### Study of Zimbabwe training

From Jan Reath Harare Mr John Stanley, the British Minister of State for Defence, arrived here yesterday for a close look at British military

training operations.

Early this year, officers of the 60-man British military advisory training team began instructing Mozambique offi-cers at the battalion battle school in Nyanga.

About 170 Mozambicans will be trained during the year after an agreement last year between the governments of Mozambique, Britain and Zimbabw At the end of the month 22

British armoured car and artillery instructors will return home as they have completed courses mounted for Zimbabwe armoured vehicle and artillery units. Radio 'war': The US has

been accused by Harare of backing a clandestine radio station in South Africa which broadcasts news reports and commentaties in support of anti-Zimbabwe rehels in

### Man of Alabama bows out in tears

Governor George Wallace looking gloomy for Mr Wal-Alabama, declaring that he lace. He might have lost the of Alabama, declaring that he has climbed his last political mountain, has decided not to seek re-election in Novem In tears and slarring slightly because of partial deafness, he appeared but a shadow of the fiery old populist as he said farewell seated in his

He told a packed, hushed hamber of the state House of Representatives in Montgomery that the five bullets that struck and paralysed him in an assassination attempt in 1972 "gave me a thorn in the flesh like it did the Apostle Paul. I prayed it would be removed

He said time began running out for his political ambitions when those bullets hit him. Although he was "doing good" at the moment, he felt that as he grew older the effects of his problems might become more noticeable.

"There are still some personal hills I want to climb but for now I must pass the rope and pick to another climber." lay aside, what will never The opinion polls have been return and pick up the future." sonal hills I want to climb but for now. I must pass the rope and pick to another climber."

governorship. As it is, he will bow out officially next January, ending 25 years of domi-nation of Alabama politics and career which took him briefly and tantilizingly be-yend the humid provinces of the South.

for his battle cry in 1963: "Segregation now, segregation tomorrow, segregation for

In latter years he has courted and captured black support, graphically demonstrating the metamorphosis of Deep South In 1982 # .third

Alabama's blacks voted for him. Many black leaders were among the farewell throng. "Some of you young people might not realize that I paid a high price in 1972 for doing what the people of this state wanted," Mr Wallace, aged 66, said. "I have not used this Chirac's coalition is three seats short of majority

From Diana Geddes. Paris

The final composition of Government to bypass Parliathe political groups in the new ment and legislate by decree
French National Assembly on a return to majority voting
gives the ruling right-wing and on a series of proposed
RPR-UDF coalition 286 seats, economic measures will be
three short of the absolute put to the next Cabinet meetmajority it originally said it ing that is to say just before
meeted before it would be the vote of confidence.

decided to remain unaffiliated. That does not necessarily
mean that they will not vote
with the majority, but it will
make the task of the Prime
avoiding a third and final Minister, M Jacques Chirac, that much more difficult. Official figures for the political groups in the new Assem-

bly are: RPR 155 deputies; UDF 131; Socialists 212; National Front 35; Communists 35; non-affiliated 9.

The first important test of Foreign Ministry.

support for the Government will come after the Cabinet another potentially dangerous meeting next Wednesday, when M Chirac intends to call a vote of confidence after a speech outlining the Government's policies.

Most of the supporters of M Raymond Barre, former Prime Minister under President Valery Giscard d'Estaing. who were initially vehemently opposed to any "government of cohabitation", have now indicated that they will support such a vote. But the 35 National Front deputies have said they will "reserve their reply" while making it clear that they would vote against any attempt to restore majorty voting in general elections. The Prime Minister's office

The final composition of Government to bypass Parifa-

majority needed before it would be willing to form a government.

Five of the 12 "Diverse are not too worried, however.

Right" deputies who had been expected to give the new that M Jacques Chabanexpected to give the new that M Jacques Chabanbe presidency of the

ballot. Ex-President Giscard d'Estaing is now left on the sidelines as a potentially critical observer of the increasing ly RPR-dominated coalition He is said to have turned down M Chirac's offer of the

another potentially dangerous political "heavyweight", M. Barre.

He may, however, no long constitute quité such a threat to M Chirac as before last month's general election.
Since his appointment as
Prime Minister, M Chirac has
sprung to the top of the
opinion polls, outdistancing
even M Barre who had beid the pre-eminent position among right-wing leaders for the previous two years.

President Mitterrand has

told M. Chirac that he will send his promised message to Parliament next Tuesday once the elections for the various posts in the new National Assembly have been has already announced that completed and just enabling Bills to allow the vote of confidence. completed and just before the

### Five more arrested in Italian wine scandal

Taranto, Italy (Reuter) - A the town of Manduria, near southern Italian wine producer and four other men were arrested yesterday by police investigating the deaths of 15 people who drank adulterated

The arrests brought to seven the number of people held in connection with the wave of deaths caused by wine which was strengthened with methyl alcohol. An eighth suspect is being sought; police said.
Antonio Fusco, aged 54, who owns two wine firms in Taranto, was held on charges of selling wine containing illegally high amounts of the

chemical.

All five men have been warned that they could also face manslaughter charges. Yesterday, g 37-year-old woman from Albenga, northern Italy, died after drinking contaminated wine and swa lowing tranquillisers. Only post-mortem can determine whether she died from the effects of methyl alcohol.

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### Lange seeks to placate Paris but rejects compromise on agents

From Richard Long, Wellington

Mr David Lange, the New electorates and their own po-Zealand Prime Minister, is litical shetoric, M Chirac said Herald Tribune correspon-butting our strong feelers to last year that freeing the agents dent in Singapore. In radio after the Rainbow Warrior trade sanctions to secure their in an effort to improve strained relations, there can be no deal on the But Mr Lange, for his part, release of the French agents would find it difficult to agree said that visit, if agreed, could itsiled for their rest in salvators.

ing the Greenpeace ship.

Mr Lange and his advisers are obviously hoping that the hew Government of M Jacques Chirac will be in a position to mend fences. But sources in Wellington say all responses from Paris indicate that the release of the agents, south of France would put a Cantaio Dominique Prieur to their early release after his in in mind may plantal. Spain, Sweden are obviously hoping that the bombing and French attempts May or June.

Mr Lange, however, has not mind for the agents serving photographs of the agents sun 10-year sentences. He told Liberation all such sentences came up for review after three years, but this week he admitted.

relations. strong public of A resumption of normal ties early release. is of vital importance to New Since the change of government in France, both Mr exports to France and the Lange and Mr Geoffrey Palmers, have used every review until 1990 — a New Caledonia are being af opportunity to express their fected. Later this year New wish for better relations Mr. is of vital importance to New fected. Later this year New wish for better relations. Mr Zealand will negotiate with Lange sent congratulations to the European Community to M Chirac from Jakarta, while continue its butter deal with on a tour of Asia.

Paris, saying he wants to was a priority for France, and interviews at home he said he improve relations with France he would be prepared to use would be ready to visit Paris

there can be no dear on the release of the French agents is alled for their part in sabotaging the Greenpeace ship.

Mr Lange and his advisers over the Rainbow Warrior den and West Germany in May or June.

He emphasized the point in

Captaio Dominique Prieur new government in office at years, but this week he admit-and Major Alam Mafart, is a the next New Zealand elec-prefequisite to improved tions. Polls have indicated law had changed and such strong public opposition to an reviews were held after five

New Zealanders still recall that Mr Lange initially said the agents would not be released in the term of his Government. The next elec-To some extent, both prime an interview with the French tinns are expected by ministers are captives of their newspaper Libération in Hong September.

### supporter murdered

Santiago (Renter) - The leader of a pro-government political party was killed by gunmen as trouble flared in the Chilean capital, the northern mining city of Calama and two other provincial cities.

night came at the end of a day of disturbances in which at least 50 people were arrested across the country. Seven others, including three policemen, were

injured in the unrest.
Señora Juana Flores said her
husbaod. Señor Simon
Yevenes aged 42, was shot by a man in uniform from the door of his shop in a poor district of southern Santiago while two uniformed accomplices waited outside in a pick-up truck.

Señor Yevenes was a com-munity leader of the Independent Democratic Union, a right-wing political indvenient which strongly supports President President

### Chile junta Bolivian teachers take to streets

The teachers' strike and university students took to the educational crisis in Bolivia streets here amid tear gas took a turn for the worse this barrages from the security week. President Victor Paz forces.

Estenssoro's Government de. The situation threatened to ther provincial cities.

The killing on Wednesday ight came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the end of a device of the came at the positions of the came at th



deteriorate into outright street violence and is the main social and political problem con-fronting the hard-pressed ci-

vilian government.
Public sector, teachers are demanding three to fourfold increases in their salaries but the Government has refused, saying the bankrupt national

treasury has no money
Classes should have begun
the first week of February, the
traditional start of the school year, but there are no signs of an early settlement.

By declaring the jobs va-cant, the Government has opened the door to new applicants willing to work, but whether they can fill the .75,000 vacancies remains to be



### Pakistan still against deal with Kabul

From Michael Hamlyn

The Pakistan Government firmly refused yesterday to talk directly to the Kabul regime about peace in Afghanistan despite progress reported in the indirect negotiations led by the UN Secretary-General's special representative, Señor Diego

The Pakistan Foreign Minis-ter, Sahabzada Yaqub Khan, told Sir Geoffrey Howe that Pakistan's position on direct dealings was fundamentally un-changed, according to British officials.

an Afghan settlement. **India revives** attempt to

mollify Sikhs Delhi - The Indian Government, trying to mullify Sikh resentment, has picked a new commission to identify Hindi-speaking areas in Punjab to give to neighbouring Haryana state in exchange for the town of Chandigarh (Kuldip Nayar writes). The commission, beaded by

Indian Supreme Court Justice E.S. Venkataramiah, has been given a month for the task.

Sahabzada Yaquh told Sir Agreement on this would be a put on it to change by cross-coffrey that the sixth round of significant part of the fourth border aggression from Afghan-Geoffrey that the sixth round of indirect talks in Geneva in December reached an impasse because the Afghans were holding up discussion on the fourth and final instrument of agreement between the two until

This would be tantamount to legal recognition of the regime of President Karmal, and Pakistan reiterated yesterday that there can be no question of direct talks until the fourth

Pakistan agreed to negotiate

instrument has been finalized. In his last round of shuttle The talks between the two diplomacy, however, between foreign ministers were the first Islamabad and Kabul last

accouots.

of a series during Sir Geoffrey's month Senor Cordovez said three-day visit. The bulk of the that he had a document from time was taken up with a Kabul which outlined a timetadiscussion of progress towards ble for withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghaoistan.

timetable indicates that the and assured the Sahabzadar of Russians want the withdrawal nf their troops to be spread over a reasonably long period certainly more than a year and some observers believe it may be more than two years.

A report in nne of itsleading English-language newspapers yesterday suggested that there had been something of a shift in the cnuntry's position on direct talks, but the Sahabzada firmly squashed any such nation in his

talks with the British. support of the British Government had been of assistance in helping Pakistan maintain its religion. positinn, despite the pressure

istan and internal disruption. Such information as has Sir Geoffrey said that Britain filtered nut about the proposed admired Pakistan's firmness

> continued support. He spoke of British concern about human rights io Pakistan, indicating particular worries over political prisoners and members of the Ahmedia sect, who have been forbidden to

> describe them-selves as Mus-Sahabzada Yaqub declared unequivocally that there were no political prisoners in Pakistan and that all those imprisoned were entitled to due

He said that the staunch process of law. He assured Sir upport of the British Govern-Geoffrey that all Pakistanis were entitled to freedom of

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### Manila to bring Marcos charges From Keith Dalton, Manila.

der is only temporary.

The Philippioes Govern-ment will file criminal and civil charges within two months against deposed Presi-Mr Juvito Salunga, chairman of Manila's Commission on Good Government, said dent Marcos to recover an the mere filing of charges under the country's Corrupt Practices Act could set aside estimated \$5 billinn (£3.4 billion) he is believed to have hiddeo in Swiss bank Swiss laws and lead to the eventual return of the assets to President Aquino's government.He said a civil The Swiss, who last month froze withdrawals from his six

accounts, have urged the suit could be tried in absentia. quick prosecution of the for-mer president, warning that the unprecedented freeze or-with Swiss authorities in Bern return to work.

last month, said he took advice nn hnw the commissinn could challenge Switzerland's very strict bank secrecy laws.

Barricade lifted: Several thousand militant strikers early yesterday lifted their barricade at America's Subic Bay Naval Base, 50 miles north-west of Manila, 24 hours after they had refused to accept their union's order towomen fell summit protectors

**Security** 

Muscular women from the Japanese Security Police (left) effortlessly felling burty male "attackers" to demonstrate the protection in store for seven world leaders at next month's economic summit.

The mock attackers, themselves members of the security police, lunged forward at a signal with parade-ground precision flourishing knives and pistols (Reuter reports from Tokyn). In perfect unison the women

deflected the weapons, seized their opponents by arm and throat and hurled them to the ground in front of the Akasaka state guest house, site of the summit from May 4 to May 6. On parade were the 1,100 police officers who have been assigned to protect the leaders of Britain, Canada, France, Italy, Japan, the United States

and West Germany. The 200 security police showed how they would fling a human shield round any leader the instant an attacker darted

from the crowd. A Japanese detective acted as stand-in for President Reagan to show the speed with which he could be transferred from limousine to helicopter. A policewoman hriefly played the part of Mrs Thatcher treading the red carpet to the conference hall.

### China may strengthen Soviet link

Peking (Reuter) - China signalled fresh economic links with the Soviet Union yesterday, saying both sides were discussing working together on nuclear power technology.

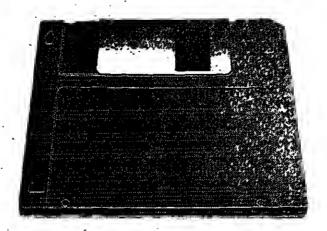
The Vice-Premier, Mr Li Peng, giving a rare press conference, said ouclear pow-er co-operation was suggested last month at a Sino-Soviet meeting in Peking.

Western diplomats said the disclosure indicated closer economic relations between the two communist powers despite a long-standing ideological rift

Mr Li said: "Co-operation with the Soviet Union (00 ouclear power technology) is not on the agenda yet. It will be decided after study by the

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Seems like the idea is catching on

# A cutting edge to a hard sell

Blades are being sharpened once again in the annual war of the mowing machines but, as Torin Douglas reports, both sides seem to have changed their angles of attack

f Jonathan Swift were writ-ing today, the chances are that Lilliput would have gone to war not over the proper end to break an egg out the right way to mow a

Over the past six years, the real life controversy over which way a lawnmower's blades should rotate (cylinder or rotary) has been every hit as heated as the fictional dispute between the Big-endians and the Small-endians.

The two protagonists - Qualcast, in the green livery, and Flymo, in the orange - have conducted one of the most public and acrimonious battles ever seen between two husinesses in Britain, matched only by the recent takeover hostilities in the City.

They have criticized each other's products in television commercials and press advertise-ments, then reported each other to the advertising standards authorities. They have challenged each other to duels on the lawn, then run ads featuring the press cuttings that favoured them.

One firm has questioned the safety of its rival's products, the other has levelled accusations of "bad taste" and "desperation

Yet both companies have also responded to each other's attacks in a more positive way - hy adapting their product range to meet the criticisms. To the outside world it looks very much as though both sides, having exchanged heated words, are now having to eat them.

Qualcast, champion of the traditional cylinder mower, which started the lawnmower war in 1980 with its aggressive slogan "It's a lot less bovver than a hover", now sells rotaries alongside its cylinders. Flymo, the inventor of the hover, which once claimed that leaving clippings on the lawn was good for the grass, is selling hovers that collect the

Now the blade has come full circle. With Easter week marking the start of the new mowing season for Britain's 15 million lawns. Flymo has announced it is to attack Qualcast in its most sacred area - the traditional striped finish. Having once dismissed stripes as unimportant. claiming that most people wanted ease rather than an immaculate finish. Flymo is this season

launching a rotary mower that produces stripes.

Flymo's marketing director Geoff Harrop recognizes the apparent contradiction. "We conduct market research each year to find out what the customer regards as the most important features when choosing a lawnmower, and year after year the key features are ease, lightness and speed", he says.

"A good finish comes well down the list. Nevertheless, we recognize that there is a section of the market that wants stripes and what they stand for - a good cut so we have developed a rotary

mower that provides that."

The new model is called the Chevron and the stripes are produced by a roller at the back. Even with the cylinder mowers, it's only the roller that gives you the stripe, pushing the grass one way and then the other," says he Chevron is a

wheeled rotary mower. In effect it is first cousin to the hover with its single hlade that spins round parallel to the ground, like a helicopter rotor. But unlike the hover it is supported by wheels rather than a cushion of air. The cylinder mower, of which Qualcast's Concorde and Suffolk Punch models are the best known, is the traditional lawnmower: its hlades rotate in the direction the mower is being pushed, cutting the grass against another hlade, like a pair of scissors.

Last year, the hovers - or air cushion rotaries - accounted for 43.5 per cent of the 1.3 million powered mowers sold in Britain, according to figures from Flymo. Cylinders took 29.9 per cent and

wheeled rotaries 26.6.
This year Flymo is not merely collecting the cuttings (with the Sprintmaster, which really does Hoover" up the grass) but also offers stripes. Flymo is promoting both benefits this month in a campaign drawn up by its new advertising agency, Saatchi & Saatchi. The new commercial uses speeded up film and the Dick Barton music with Frank Muir uttering the new copyline "Why slowmow when you can Flymo? It is not a knocking campaign, however. "We think we've got

enough to say about our products,

without any need for knocking",



we've promoted our grass-collecting hovers strongly enough yet, and we mean to put that right this

Not surprisingly, Qualcast is quick to pour scorn on Flymo's change of tack. "You can draw your own conclusions as to who has been proved right". John Copper, their marketing director,

"Five years ago, they said you didn't need to collect the grass because it formed a mulch that was good for the lawn. Now they're offering stripes - the emotional tide is running in our

Nevertheless, the fact that Flymo has set out to meet its criticisms makes life considerably harder for Qualcast. It has had to move away from its "lot less attention to safety, introducing a range of rotary mowers with plastic blades (it calls them "orbitals"), which will not cut

through a shoe or a power cable. Flymo has responded by offering a choice of metal or plastic lades with its hover mowers, maintaining it is the only compa ny offering grass collection and a plastic blade in the same mower. Qualcast replies that safety should not be a bolt-on extra, and this year its advertising is once again focusing on safety.

espite the confusion caused by the battle and its apparently trivial nature, which has tended to obscure the fact that millions of pounds and thousands of jobs are involved, many would argue that it is the customer who has been the major beneficiary of

"The competitive nature of the market has benefited the consumer because we have had to look at making our products better and more cheaply", Harrop says.

"We have had to find out what people really want from a lawnmower and then develop a product that meets those

Having said that, both Flymo and Qualcast admit that for all the millions they have invested in new products and advertising over the st six years, one outside factor has had far more of an influence on lawnmower sales than all their efforts put together - the weather, Last year's warm, wet summer boosted sales by more than 15 per

What is described as the world's first "three in one lawncare machine" is to be launched this month by Britain's biggest lawn mower firm, Birmid Qualcast, which claims to have sold over half of the country's domestic mowers last year.

Qualcast has developed a lawn trimming attachment for its Concorde REX cylinder mower which, in conjunction with its existing kit for converting the Concorde into a powered lawn rake, makes it the first

mower to offer three separate functions. The gardening equivalent of a food processor, it is spent on lawnmowers.

£100 MILLION BATTLE FOR THE BACK GARDEN bid to market the garden as an outdoor extension of the house — a bid that goes back 20 years to the days

when Flymo, a subsidiary of the Swedish Electrolux group, came up with the concept of "Hoovering" the Qualcast is this year promoting the garden as "The outdoor lounge". Flymo prefers to describe it as "An extension of the living room". Either way we are expected to spend some £750 million on furnishing and fittings this year, of which £100 million will be

### Laws without frontiers

The European Court of Justice is proving

to be a powerful force in changing the way

Britain's legal life is run

As the Council of Ministers in Brussels issues an ever increasing stream of laws and directives regulating our daily lives, the European Court of Justice in Lexembourg is stepping out of the supporting cast of EEC institu-tions and into the limelight — most recently with the successful case brought by Helen Marshall on the raising of the retirement age for women in Britain.

It does so perhaps a little reluctantly, given its workload, but with the confidence that comes from taking awkward decisions about power in the EEC and the rights of both individual citizens

The 13 judges who have the task of forcing European governments to change their ways look far from daunted by their role. They sit inside a modernistic concrete building in a bleak park of futuristic Euro-complexes high on a hill above the cobbles and gables of the tiny Grand Duchy's capital. The modern setting is appropriate the European ting is appropriate: the European Court is shaping the Europe of the

The Luxembourg court is not to be confused with the European Human Rights court in Stras-bourg. The job of the Court of Justice is to protect and interpret the Treaty of Rome, the EEC's founding document, and subsequent amendments.

The process is slow: written proceedings are followed by oral hearings, after which one of the six advocate generals gives an opinion. Months later comes the verdict, which usually follows the view of the advocate general, a ligure drawn from French legal

A number of key figures at the court are British, and several recent dramatic cases have invnived Britain. Most cases brought to Luxembourg are either referrals from national courts, where a point of EEC law is at issue (as in the case of Miss Marshall), or direct actions brought by the commission, some-times on behalf of individuals. The court cannot fine or impris-

on entire governments, but in practice all EEC governments accept the Luxembourg verdict and alter their own laws. EEC law has primacy over national law. Retirement age apart, recent prominent cases have included Britain's case against the European parliament over the budget, barriers on the Continent against British insurance companies, and Stanley Adams's successful fight Hoffman La Roche.

Most issues have to do with the creation of a Europe without frontiers or internal trade barriers, a process boosted by recent EEC reforms. Britain inherits the reform process in July when it takes over the EEC presidency for six months. Britain's high profile at the court might be seen as a petential problem for Lord Mackenzie Stuart, the president of the court and a Scottish high court judge, and for Sir Gordon Slynn, the senior advocate general, a high court judge (Queen's Bench) and former president of the Employment Appeal Tribunal.

ment Appeal Tribunal.

Lord Mackenzie Stuart ruled in Britain's favour last mouth over the EEC budget dispute, and Sir Gordon gave an opinion beneficial to Britain in the insurance case. But both men - and the regis Paul Heim, who is also British stress that national interests take second place to European

"If a British interest is at stake A am being dispassionate". Sir

The court needs all its wisdom and authority to meet the demands made on it as EEC law grows more complex. Last year 433 new cases arrived at Laxembourg, compared with an average of 300 in previous years. The last EEC summit proposed a new court of first ence to sift cases, but this would add to the costs as well as slowing things down even farther.



Helen Marshalt Breaking the retirement age barrier

As Sir Gordon Slynn observes, the EEC has to accept that Lord-Denning was right to speak some years ago of the "incoming tide of EEC legislation". "Denning also said rightly that we must learn to be amphibious. EEC law, after all. is what governs the lives of all of us

When the court resumes later this month after the Easter recess, it will have to rule whether Air France and other airlines have the right to fix fares and routes, or whether this contravenes Treaty rolings on free competition. The case, which could open the way to American-style de-regulation, will reveal to what extent British companies are aware of the importance of EEC law and its growing impact on Britain: In the recent insurance case at least half a dozen hearings, but not one British insurance company came to hear Sir Gordon Slynn's judgement.

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### THEXTIMES **SATURDAY**

# The weekend starts here

### A winning tale

"In the hour before the race I had a cup of tea and tried to compose myself. I was sweating freely from the nerves and the tension, soaking wet. The chances of getting round are slim enough, so winning it is unreal. I'm just thinking about negotiating all those fences, going into the land of the unknown..." Jockey

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# An Aquino for Pakistan?

Is Benazir Bhutto about to become the Corazon Aquino of Pakistan? Like Aquino she aims to use "people power" to restore full democracy to a country just beginning to emerge from eight and a half years of martial law. Many believe she will succeed.

Early on Thursday morning Miss Bhutto, 32-year-old daughter of the executed former prime minister, Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, will make a triumphal return to Pakistan from exile in Britain. Shortly after her arrival in Lahore she plans to address a mass rally which is expected to attract huodreds of thousands of her support-ers. This will be the first step in a campaign to force Presi-dent Zia al-Huq to hold an early general election (well before the one planned to take place in 1990) which Miss Bhutto is confident her Pakistan People's Party would win by a landslide.

Miss Bhutto, looking cool and relaxed in her aunt's London flat depite hectic lastminute preparations for her return, is full of admiration for Mrs Aquino. "She showed tremendous tenacity, sagacity, courage and intelligence. She handled the situation very well. I hope I will also be able

to do the same in Pakistan."
Unlike Mrs Aquino, who became politically involved only after the murder of her husband three years ago. Miss Bhutto learnt her politics at ber father's knee and went on to read politics at Oxford and Harvard. Her father's execution in 1979 forced her to take on his political mantle, and although she has speot most of the time since then in detention, under house arrest or in exile, she is recognized as the only opposition leader in Pa-kistan capable of defeating the present government in a free

Her father's execution, on questionable evidence of conspiracy to murder, remains a motivating force behind Miss Bhutto's determination to lead the PPP to an electoral Benazir Bhutto's return to Pakistan next week will test General Zia's vaunted

commitment to democracy to the limit

seize power again. All we want

is to be able to hold public

meetings peacefully."
When President Zia decreed

called for a boycott because

the electoral commissioner (a Zia appointee) to ban a politi-

cal party at any time and

arrest its leaders without right

of an election he could just

apply the axe to us", she says. The PPP is challenging the registration restrictions in the

Miss Boutto is clearly taking risk in returning to Pakistan.

When she went back last year to attend her brother's funeral

she was put under house arrest for three months on grounds

of "national security". President Zia has said that no

restrictions will be placed on

her this time - although there is little reason to believe he

will keep his word if he feels

Despite years of repression,

This means that on the eve

of appeal.

it was my father who was executed but the man who the people had chosen to be their prime minister", sbe explains. Paradoxically, the opportunity Miss Bhutto now has to restore full democracy to Pakistan has been created by President Zia, the man who sent her father to the gallows. He has held the country in the introduced a system of semifree, semi-democratic civilian

victory. "It's not so much that

government would have severely limited powers. She grip of a military dictatorship since seizing power in 1977. At the beginning of this year he lifted martial law and remains deeply sceptical of President Zia's motives, par-ticularly as there are still restrictions on political The ban on the PPP has rule. However, ultimate pow-er will reside with him until been lifted since the party agreed in February to submit elections are held in 1990. its accounts for inspection. However the party has refused to register, as it is supposed to do if it wants to contest an election, because the small print of the electoral allows



"Zia says there is now democracy in Pakistan. I say, let's prove it", Miss Bhutto says. "I believe we could restore full democracy so long as the present government allows full political activity and free elections."

she is becoming a serious challenge to his authority. She denies she is seeking a confrontation with the gov- the PPP still has widespread ernment. "We don't want support around the country. agitation or a breakdown of When martial law was lifted in law and order - Above all we January, PPP flags and photowant to avoid a situation that graphs of the former prime would prompt the army to minister immediately went on I

Although she is only half his age, Zia faces a formidable opponent in Miss Bhutto. She is not just the daughter of a popular prime minister, but has considerable political and oratorical skills of her own. "non-party" elections last year Furthermore she is untainted as part of a gradual phase-out of martial law, Miss Bhutto hy any association with a regime whose rigid Islamization policies have become she suspected - rightly, as it turned out - that the new

increasingly unpopular.

"Besides", Miss Bhutto
wryly observes, "1986 is proving a bad year for dictators. just hope that President Zia sees the writing on the wall and agrees to move aside gracefully."

Nicholas Ashford Diplomatic Correspondent

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Should parents who leave their young children unattended be prosecuted?

Heather Kirby investigates a

legal loophole

The scene: a coroner's court. Inside, an inquest into the deaths of children killed in a a design to the second fire at their home where they had been left on their own. Outside, a crowd of women mother and father or lone. parent they consider to blame for the tragedy. What happens next as far as the law is concerned is usually - noth-

> Academics and lawyers say the legal position of parents who leave their children at home alone is uncertain-"Abandonment" or "wilful" neglect has to be proved before either a care order or a criminal conviction, so parents who nip to the supermarket or even the pub are doing nothing illegal by leaving their children alone. While there is an army of specialists trying to protect children from all kinds of craelty, there is precious little being done to guard them against careless or irresponsible parents.

At a recent seminar on child abuse, the child care law was described by a county council social services director as a "labyrinthine maze". Current-ly the DHSS is collating hundreds of recommendations for a comprehensive child care law review after a consultative document last October, Mr Dennis Walters, MP, is sponsoring a private member's Bill which he hopes will clarify the complex care order procedures; there are at present more than 20 different routes for taking children into

At the same time, the Lord Chancellor is conducting a feasibility study into family courts, which will take over-responsibility for neglect cases. Nowhere, however, is any attempt being made to lay down the law about the problem of unsupervised children and parental responsibility.

Michael Freeman, professor of English Law at University College, London, said: The law is very hazy; there are really only rules of thumb because the law finds it very difficult to cope with omission. If a child were abandoned in a place where it was bound to be found, like a bus shelter, that would not prove neglect. And where a technical offence is committed, there is up to five years jail. The no point in prosecuting Children and Young Persons Gormless parents have to be Act, 1953, says that any acquitted anyway and the person aged 16 or over who maximum sentence is only has the custody of a child and two years so nothing can be wilfully abandons it, causing

Leaving children alone reg- ry to health, is liable to a twoularly could be construed as year prison sentence."



neglect, and the NSPCC received 2,431 referrals of such cases between October 1983 and September 1984. "We find that a warning to the parents is normally enough, and if it continues we take action, such as a care order", said a spokesman. "But we could never push for a law because there are so many ifs and but which would have to be built into it. For instance, what is the time factor? What is the age factor?"-

Proof that there is widespread confusion over the question is borne out by the Law Society, which gets a regular stream of inquiries from estranged spouses convinced the partner with custo-dy is neglecting his or her parental responsibilities.

Children of eight or nine are outtill 11 at night'

"But leaving the children on their own is not an offence per se", said Valerie Cooney, of the Law Society. "According to the Offences Against The Person Act 1861, anyone who exposes the life of a child to injury or permanent damage to its health would be guilty of a misdemeanour and liable to unnecessary suffering or inju-

In 1983, 115 children aged under 14 died in fires at their homes and 1,319 were injured, but it is not known how many were on their own at the time. Nor are there figures for other tragedies, like Leonie Keating who was abducted and murdered while she was unattend-

Of course, there can be no on the increase", he pointed measure of the amount of out. "I think a better awarepsychological and emotional lamage done to children left alone, especially at night\_Although experts argue there is no point prosecuting parents after the event, that they have been punished enough if their children are harmed, there is not much justice in the areament from the children's point Having a strict law that no

child under the age of, say, 14, could be left alone in a house would not in the opinion of Jill Knight, MP, chairman of the all-party family and child protection group, deter par-ents from doing so. You see children of eight or nine out until 11 at night, which is a form of neglect as serious asleaving them alone, but there is a blatant lack of caring. It is totally against nature.

"I question the belief that a mother whose children die when she is out has suffered enough. Is it the case that she is suffering? It is uncaring to leave her children regularly anyway. A woman who is repared to knock a kid off fore it is born is liable not to bother that much about one when it is."

That image of the uncaring mother — and it is usually mothers who still shoulder

most of the responsibility for In an age of preventive the safety of their children - is medicine, it seems there is a of little help to the police, who gap in the market. Even the Church of England, in its have to decide whether or not Faith in the City report, neglected the problem. No one, for example, suggested setting up teams of volunteer to prosecute on all the evidence available. But a spokesman did agree that a law would not necessarily be a deterrent. "We have laws to minders to help the people prevent burglary, but they are on the increase", he pointed who desperately need a few hours a week respite. Child care law has always

been about maintaining a delicate balance between the rights of children and the role

of the family, with the need for

state intervention to be clearly

justified. One of the principal recommendations made by

Mr Louis Blom-Cooper in his report on the Jasmine Beck-

ford case was that social

workers should receive more

training to deal with chidren

at risk. Carers are hoping that

cash will be found to follow

What no one ever seems to

talk about is training for

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starting point.

We aim to improve the home not punish the parent'

ness of the dangers would be

more useful."

Judith Buit, an advice worker for Gingerbread, is one of many who think the problem is social rather than legal. We are more concerned with. improving the home situation than punishing parents", she said. Some recent fragedies although during the teachers' strike incidents of children being left alone must have increased considerably.

Parents with money can buy themselves out of the difficul ty, but for the less well-off it can be a nightmare. For lone parents, 47 per cent of whom live on the bread line, a babysitter is a luxury; if they want an evening out, the only option is to take a risk. No union would stand for their 24-hour day, seven-days-a week regime. A similarly crushing burden is felt - again mostly by women - by people who have to look after elderly

One question deliberately left incompletely answered is

Dr Guilleband concludes that the data on the use of the Pill for women in general is uniformly reassuring, but he intends to wait for the result, expected at the end of the year, of the large Oxford study comparing 800 cancer victims under 35 with matched controls before com-mitting himself about the absolute safety of the Pill in

Meanwhile young women can take comfort from the results of an eight-centre study in North America from Georgia, Atlanta. In this project, when 2,088 women cancer of the breast were compared with a similar con-

### know about birth control MEDICAL

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so legion and their problems so diverse, that **Some** may stump the non-specialist doctor. Typical of the questions recently asked in a genitourinary clinic was:"Should I inne the Pill before I have a laparoscopy?".

The definitive answer is

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that this is unnecessary as the incidence of deep vein thronbosis is negligible after this minor procedure. But a women due to have her varicose veins dealt with should stop the Pill for at least a month before having varicose veins operated on or injected and resume taking them only after the leg is unbandaged. A man asked: "Why can

even comparatively few sperm in semen after vasectomy result in a pregnancy whereas a man with a similar sperm count in other circumst wonld be considered

The answer is that a low sperm count usually indicates aulty spermatogenesis, signifying that not only are they few in number, but also of very poor quality. After vasectomy the sperms, although progressively diminishing in quantity, are of normal qualiy and capable of fertilization.

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the one asked more frequently than any other: "Will the Pill cause breast cancer in young

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trol group, it was found that the Pill was not a factor when the type of drug, its strength, its brand, the number of years it had been used, or the number of years taken before the women reached the age of 25 or her first full term pregnancy, was considered.

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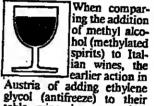
Finger injuries

The accident to The Prince of Wales's finger has spotlighted injuries of this kind. As the blood and nerve supply to o finger runs along both sides of the bone, a crushing blow is unlikely to result in the loss of the finger unless it was delivered with such force that the arteries were completely destroyed.

A quick glance round o group of farmworkers will show that while many have lost fingers, or parts of them, the injuries are usually consistent with farm machinery accidents in which the arteries

and nerves have been severed. Noilbeds are frequently damaged by a heavy blow; recovery is not always com-plete and thereafter the nail may be irregular. It is difficult to assess the degree of recovery which will take place until a new nail has grown.

Blind drunk



seems comparatively benign. Whereas ethylene glycol in the low concentration found in a bottle of adulterated wine would be dangerous only if drunk in huge quantities, even small amounts of meths can, in susceptible people, cause lasting damage to the nervous system including ir-reversible blindness from de-

struction of the optic nerve. As it is reported that some of the Italian wine was contaminated by 10 per cent methylated spirits it is not surprising that the death rate has reached double figures and many more are in a

Some people will be hlinded by as little as two teaspoonfuls of 40 per cent methylated spirits; others will suffer no more than an upset stomach after drinking several pints.

Guests of a dinner party host who has failed to follow the DHSS advice - to discard all Italian wine bottled by Vincenzo Odore or any cheap Italian table wine recently brought back by travellers which was perhaps purchased in a small grocer's store (rather than a proper duty free shop) - may find that 18 to 24 hours after a jolly evening's drinking their tender eyeballs develop an intense burning pain made worse by exposure to light.

Thereafter vision will be obscured by flashes and snowstorms until the unfortunate guests start to notice progressive tunnel vision, with the visual fields slowly contracting until blindness ... supervenes. Accompanying the eye symptoms will be all." the usual effects of a severe hangover, which in cases of severe poisoning, can lead to ... coma, respiratory failure and

Doctor in trouble



They would chat over a... cuppa with the grandparents,; and aunts who intended to help with the confinement and surreptitionsly assess the strengths and weaknesses of the household into which the baby was going to be born.

If the American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynaecology is to be believed, the doctors were encouraging their pa-tients in an undesirable, possibly even harmful — habit for a recent research project in Connecticut has shown that moderate to heavy users of caffeine containing drinks (tea and coffee and, being an American study, Coca-Cola too) are more likely to have late miscarriages.

> Dr Thomas Stuttaford

# The girl in the picture

Helena Bonham Carter, who stars in two films this year,

owes her big break to a photograph in a society magazine

hen Helena Bonham Carter was 14 she found an agent. She in acting, but everybody in her gang at South Hampstead High School for Girls had one. Helena was the last person anybody expected to act since she was famously shy, but this year she will be seen in two films. She plays Lucy Honey-church in the Merchant/Ivory production of E.M. Forster's A Room With A View, and Lady Jane Grey in Trevor Nunn's first film, Lady Jane, chosen for the Royal Charity Premiere in aid of the Prince's Trust on May 29.

In time-worn movie star tradition, Helena's face launched her career. Trevor Nunn saw a picture of her in Tatler magazine, dressed in Pre-Raphaelite mode, velvety and palely lottering. He was about to cast the role of Lady Jane and eventually, unable to find anyone to heat that image, he telephoned her while she was staying with a friend in Florence. "I thought that was rather flashy", she recalls with a self-mocking smile, "so I went to see him. There was a lengthy auditioning process. My looks were suitable but he did need to

Lady Jane, Helena met James Ivory, who was hunting for his.



Shy girl made good: Helena Bonham Carter

Ismail Merchant's highly evocative and faithfully adapted A Room With A View, is a spirited Edwardian miss, brought up among the conventions of stockbroker-belt England. It takes a trip to Italy, where she is exposed to all manner of unsettling and un-British goings-on, to activate an internal battle between her expectations and

vory's first reaction was that Helena looked too young for the part. "He had seen me as Lady Jane. who is 16, while Lucy is meant to be 20", she explains. "Nowadays there are so many of you that they cast you for what you acmally are, not necessarily

verify, extremely thoroughly, for your acting ability."
that I could act."
The you Helena refers to is The day she finished filming the host of young activeses.

adv Jane, Helena met James filming in and out of today's film world. She isclear-headed about the possibility of being

merely flavour-of-the-month. This early success thing is interesting. It's very dreamlike being cast instantaneously but the point is, what happens next? Instead of being at university where all my contemporaries are, I'm having to supply my own motivation and discipline. It's not the same life as theirs.I'm doing my learning mine in front of everybody. It's very

She sits in a vast armchair, curled up like a mollusc, and then uncurls her legs and lets out an uninhibited laugh. "On Lady June L.was a great deal less terrified than I was when I started A Room With A View. Ignorance was bliss. On the second film I was intimidated by the knowledge of what I

had to learn." Then there was the question of corsets. With Helena's favoured clothes tending towards the voluntinous, everyexposed by period dress. Nothing to do with her, she says, it's all the work of the whalebone. "You can fully understand why females have been so feeble over the last centuries. You can barely breathe. You can barely eat

nother vivid impres-sion of filming was the endless waiting. "I real ized quickly that you couldn't afford to become involved in a book as you never knew when you would be needed. Old pros like Maggie Smith do crosswords or embroidery. Now she's waiting again -this time for both films to be released here. The American publicity caravan has taught ter a little about what is ahead and she's not sure how much she likes it. "Why, as an actress, are you expected to have anything of interest to

of those laughs, "of not being misquoted and making a complete idiot of yourself. Equally tiresome to her is the litany of her lineage, great grand-daughter of Herbert Asquith, grand-daughter of Violet Bonham Carter, "It makes me sound like a Crufts winner and also encourages typecasting. It doesn't take being upper-class to phone up an agent at 14. You just send in a

say? There is, of course, the

problem of being misquoted,

but worse", she says with one

Alexandra Shulman A Room With A View (PG) opens on April 11 at the Curzon Mayfair (01-499 3737). Lady Jane opens to the public at the ABC Shaftesbury Avenue.

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### THE TIMES **DIARY**

### Steel's secrets

A classified Nato document has come into the hands of Liberal leader David Steel after being picked up from the hall table of a notel in Newquay. It gives details of a Nato exercise off the Cornish coast between March 18 and 20 involving the RAF, the Royal Netherlands Air Force and the US Navy and Marine Corps. The document was found by a Liberal supporter whose accompanying letter to Steel cootaios some acid comments on Nato security. Steel, who has been out of the country, is expected to raise the matter with the Defence Secretary, George Younger, today. An MoD spokes-man said there would be an immediate inquiry. He expressed surprise that the document had been sent to Steel instead of being handed in to the police.

What's my line? There is now a variation on the cabbie's cry: "Guess who I had in the back of my taxi." It is: "Guess who was driving." Fred Housego, who became famous after winning Massermind but was dropped from his regular Friday night slot on London Weekend Television at Christmas, is back driving a cab. Housego, a Labour supporter, has not lost his gift of the gab and at union meetings is a vociferous supporter of the drivers' case against Heathrow's 50p taxi levy. Philosophical about his fall from fame, he admits he would return to the screen like a shot if asked: I'm as greedy as anybody else. TV pays in 20 minutes what most

### of us earn in a week." Waiting for Ego

We are about to be engulfed in celebrations marking Samuel Beckett's 80th birthday on April 13: Faber are publishing a special edition of his plays on that day, BBC's Bookmark is devoting an edition to him, Books and Bookmen is granting him the cover story and the national qualities are planning major features. So wbatever happens do not tell anybody that his birthday is not this month at all but on Mov 13. He pretends it is a month earlier because that would mean he was born on a Good Friday that fell on the 13th. Ho-ho, very absurd.

### Nothing like it

Ken Thompson, chief press officer for Channel 4, rang the Daily Telegraph information service the other day to ask if Iris Murdoch, to whom he was writing, had been made a dame. "She was born in Dublin of Anglo-Irish parents," came the reply. "That's interesting, but is she a dame?" repeated Thompson. "A dame! I thought you wanted to know if she was Danish."



'Poor devil, only yesterday he was running an oil company'

### Falling for it

We were almost treated to the spectacle of Miriam Stoppard interviewing pregnant men on Yorksbire Television's Where Yorksbire Television's Where There's Life after an April Fool joke in Cosmopoliton magazine. Its article about three men in Minnesota who were expecting test tube babies later this month appeared under the byline Lori Fopal - an anagram of April Fool, and was just one of a series of giveaway jokes. Yesterday morning a week after the magazine came out, programme re-searcher Mark Seagar rang to ask for further details, "Some bizarre things happen in the States. They've made male baboons pregnant, so wby not men?" he said.

### Son of Zion?

An underground group of Libyan democrats, the London-based Na-tional Front for the Salvation of Libya, says it can add evidence to support reports in Israeli papers that Gadaffi's mother was Jewish. One of Gadaffi's former aides, Omar Mahaeshi, who defected in 1975 and is now languishing in a Tripoli prison, has claimed that an Italian priest who had dealings in Lihya duriog the Italian occupation wrote to Gadaffi in 1970. In his letter he said he knew of Gadaffi's Jewisb blood and begged him to use his background to help bring harmony to the warring religious factions. An NFSL spokesman says: "It was the priest, apparently, who suggested that lady raped by an Italian soldier in Sirte. To avoid scandal, the priest recommended that the baby boy be placed in the custody of Bunamiar Gaddafedam, Gadaffi's assumed father. If the letter existed (outside Mahaeshi's imagination) I hate to think what Gadaffi's reply was.

## The high stakes of sacrilege

Roger Boyes reports on Poland's anguish They were praying hard in Polish charches during Holy Week this year — harder than usual. Special over a theft that highlights the masses were held throughout the illegal traffic in holy relics to the West country, especially in the ancient town of Gniezno. west of Warsaw, for the return of one of the boliest fact that Christianity came to

Poland from the Slavic east rather and most valuable church treasures in eastern Europe, stolen by than from the west. a gang of grave robbers.

The theft of the large, exquisitely etched silver mounting Adalbert became an important factor in integrating the tribes that created the Polish state. His from the tomb of St Adalbert (also remains are safe, still wrapped and sealed in a metal box. But the thieves pulled off the lifesize known as St Wojciech) set botb the Catholic bishops and the government into a frenzy of image of the prone Adalbert and activity. A ransom of half a six eagles (their wings, broken and million zloties - two years' av-erage income, but still only a small chipped, were found in the Gdansk apartment). The blow to Polish pride can be measured not fraction of the real value of the

work - was put up in the hope of only in the intensity of prayer this past week but also the anger of attracting an informer. Top detecletters written to the authorities tives were put on the case and have arrested three men and a demanding that the thieves be woman. But though the police Who could be behind the crime? found smelting machinery in the garage of the thieves' apartment in There seem to be two possibilities: Gdansk, the fate of the silver engraving, made by a master either this was a run-of-the-mill group of criminals who, not craftsman three centuries ago and weighing about 32 lb, is still uncertain. The prayers, and the realizing the real value of the Adalbert tomb, intended to melt

by a western collector. This latter possibility has exposed a sordid seam in the underworlds of East and West. It is an open secret that thousands of icons have been making their way to the West. Looted from empty or unguarded churches in Russia, Belorussia, the Ukraine and Poland - one Orthodox church in eastern Poland has been stripped of 150 in six separate burglaries the icons are smuggled to Vienna, West Berlin or Scandinavia.

down the silver, or they were hired

There, if they are of poor quality, they are restored, re-touched and sold as fashionable

interior decorations. Those that are genuinely old and attributable are sold to collectors at high prices. Now it emerges that a great deal of Catholic church art has also been making its way to western dealers and collectors.

Colonel Jan Swieczynski is the main art treasures detective in Poland, a scholarty man who studies western collectors' journals with some interest. quotes, as an example of the cynicism of western art pirates, a specialist West German antiques journal: "The eastern (that is East European) market of art masterpieces and antiques still contains certain valuable reserves. For a long time attempts have been made to mobilize these reserves and bring them to the West sometimes successfully. Ways and means are complicated . . .

But ways and means can usually be found. The main customers appear to be in West Germany. There was the recent case of a former Polisb citizen bying in West Germany who advertised his services as a go-between. Having won a lucrative commission for paintings from a Micbal Willmann altar-Willmann is known in Poland as the "Silesian Rembrandt" - be in turn subcontracted a gang of Polish bur-glars. In all such thefts everything depends on the competence of the contracted thieves and the speed with which the stolen goods can be sent to the West. In this case, the police managed to trap the burglars - loose talk in a bar - and retrieved four of the paintings. But three had already been smuggled to Cologne. .

The detection rate in subcontracted burglaries is relatively high. Between 1981 and 1984 there were 2.398 thefts from churches and rectories and two out of three thieves were caught. But the retrieval of the stolen works is much more difficult, with the police recovering only about 20 per cent and then often only cheap silver awaiting treatment in illegal smelters. Sometimes the authorities turn up a stolen masterpiece by luck — a Van Dyck was once found hidden on a

train to East Germany
Detectives searching for the
Adalbert treasure have done the rounds of the several known fences on the far side of the Vistula, in the rundown part of Warsaw known as Praga, and all the law-abiding silver dealers throughout the country. They have come up with only a few clues. But, in any case, if the theft had been a special commission from the West, it would most likely have avoided the usual

The Adalbert affair is a matter of great embarrassment in the church leadership. The millennium of Adalbert's arrival in Poland is approaching, a red letter day for the Catholic church in Eastern Europe; and Gniezno is in the heart of the archdiocese of Cardinal Jozef Glemp, the Polish primate, who was having talks with the Pope in the Vatican at the time of the theft. Perhaps the prayers and the ransom offered to the underworld will save Adalbert's silver. But the chances

ible argument as to why incomes policy would work in the future

any better than it has done in the

past. His own belief that it would

rests on one simple proposition. Incomes policy will be "under-pinned" by "the emergence of a

new political consensus based on

proportional representation". It

seems that if a government is

approved by a clear majority of

voters its policies will be followed

This is not so. Opposition to

incomes policy or, indeed, to trades union legislation, has not been driven by a feeling that the

decisions of a government elected

by a mere 44 per cent of the electorate were illegitimate but rather by the desire of particular groups to defend their short-term financial interests. The democrafic purity of the single transfer-

able vote will not change these calculations in the slightest degree.

Owen has a jejune belief in the

power of government to influence economic life. In his view "the fact

that Italy in 1985 surpassed the UK in its standard of living.

implies that the quality of Italian

President Botha would be de-

lighted to have this test applied to

the continent of Africa. But most

other political leaders recognize

some limits to their power and

Changing attitudes within Brit-

ish industry is a long-term process. It can be assisted only by a

government prepared to work

with the grain of the market, not

against it. In the past five years we

have returned to a growth path

that matches or exceeds that of our

main competitors. David Owen's

interventionism, founded on a mysterious political alchemy, would put into reverse the bene-

ficial adjustments that have al-

adviser to the Chancellor of the Exchequer A United Kingdom is

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basic issue for a comprehensive nuclear test ban treaty - and its rejection by President Reagan - has been made in the context of East-West diplomacy and propaganda. Will the row wreck the Washington summit? Will Moscow score points in the battle for European public opinion? These are im-portant questions, but they overhadow the substance.

Is an agreed end to underground testing, together with a stronger prohibition on testing in space, a realistic aim? Would it really be a dangerous restriction on the development of vital technologies, as the Americans allege? Would it actually slow down the arms race, even if the superpowers could agree on it? This kind of question looks straightforward enough, but in fact is quite complex. Consider what

ought to be a relatively simple, as well as an absolutely central one: what, today, are nuclear tests actually needed for? I have hawked this question round quite a wide range of people who are supposed to be expert, and have received an equally wide range of · At one end of the spectrum are

those who say that any country that wants to be taken seriously as a nuclear power needs to test. Unless you can test, they say, you are not only depriving yourself of the opportunity to make yourself more secure, you cannot even be sure that your existing stockpile of weapons is not deteriorating. According to this thesis, testing is inseparable from possessing nuclear weapons; until you abolish the latter it is preposterous to try to abolish the former.

On the other wing are those who maintain that today so much is known about nuclear weapons that nobody needs to test. The superpower stockpiles are so immense that such marginal deterioration as cannot routinely be detected and repaired is easily sustainable. The state of the nuclear armourer's art is now so advanced in the US and the USSR that almost any form of nuclear weapon which can be conceived on the drawing board can be manufactured with an acceptable degree of certainty that it will function properly without having to be tested. Israel, which almost certainly possesses nuclear weap-

ons, has never tested one. Between these poles of opin-ion - scientific and military on both sides - it is impossible for the layman (including most commentators and politicians) to adjudicate. The military and the defence scientists want to be certain of their weapons and it is a natural human desire, if one has toys, to play with them. On the other hand, the arms control enthusiasts in the scientific community are bound to understate the technical uncertainties. And without technical expertise how are decision-makers to say

whose bias is the greater? The answer is that most poliicians believe in particular experts who tell them what fits in with their policies. The British poblical debate on this issue is bedevilled by such uncertainties. Admittedly Labour's position on nuclear testing is at least logically consistent since, if Britain has nn

tends, there is no need to test them. But Mes Thatcher is in a quandary. When she first came to power in 1979 she reviewed the situation in the light of her nationalist instincts and wrote in admonitory memorandum mak-ing clear that she believed the military arguments for testing and was totally opposed to a com-prehensive test ban.

**David Watt** 

Clouding the

Unfortunately this was at odds with past British policy, especially the Foreign Office view, which had been rather in favour. The result has been a characteristically bypocritical British compromise whereby the reality - that the Prime Minister intends never to sign a comprehensive treaty - is fudged in public by the pretence that what she cannot stomach is that the Russians will not agree to proper verification. If the verification problem is solved, as one dry it might be, she will be in a pick in Similarly David Owen, a long-

standing advocate of a com-prehensive ban, chooses to believe those scientists who tell him that the SDP's policy of developing a British sea launched cruise missile as an alternative to Trident (possibly in collaboration with the French) could be achieved without testing. He, and they, may be right; but so may the experts who say it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to devise or adapt a suitable warhead for this relatively untried purpose and be sure it worked - that is, without trying it

The answer, perhaps, is to lock at the thing another way and consider the most extreme consequences for good or evil that raight flow from a treaty. The pluses would be some further improvement in the East-West chmate, and possibly a mild. though inconclusive restraint on non-nuclear powers such as India and Pakistan from pursuing overt nuclear weapons development. On the other hand the arms controllers are debarred from believing a treaty would make more than a marginal difference to the superpower arms race. For if, as they argue, testing is super-fluous, then the chances are that the superpowers will calmly go on developing their weapons systems

without testing.
Similarly, those keen on President dent Reagan's Star Wars initiative would be disappointed that under a comprehensive freaty the poten-tialities of the X-ray laser could not be so easily explored, but their displeasure should be tempered by two facts: (a) that the X-ray laser can be explored to a considerable extent without muclear testing and

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(b) that in any case it probably won't work.

An extra-terrestrial arbitermight well conclude that there is a strong balance of advantage in favour of a treaty banning nuclear tests in the outer atmosphere because of danger to the global environment. But he would propably pronounce that in the case of underground tests the advantage is small and mainly symbolic. In these circumstances he would tell us not to lose, too much sleep over Soviet opportunism, and US intransigence, on this issue, and to concentrate our energies and hopes on the balanced reduction of our wastefully bloated nuclear arsenals.

### Howard Davies is unconvinced by Owen's angling for Tory votes

## For Iron Lady read Tin Man

David Owen has taken to heart the familiar conceit that he could be the next "Conservative" prime minister. His latest book, A United Kingdom, is an attempt to claim that succession.

interrogations, continue.

The furore over the theft is

understandable. St Adalbert is a symbol of Poland's Christian her-

itage and of its early claims to

statehood. Originally Bishop of Prague, Adalbert was exiled and arrived in Poland in 997; from

there, with the support of the

Polish evangelizing monarch Boleslaw the Bold, he started to

Christianize the Prussians, who

soon put him to death. Boleslaw

bought the body from his killers

and entombed it in Gniezno

cathedral, where it became a focus

of pilgrimage and a symbol of the

Billed as an "argument and a challenge for a better Britain", it is clearly targeted at the wavering Conservative, and not simply at the closet social democrats in the Tory party. Owen is going for the core of Mrs Thatcher's support, for those who admire firm government, uncompromising stands, and economic realism - Centre Forward would be at outside left in Dr Owen's Britain.

There is nothing subtle about the approach. His version of the history of the miners' strike demonstrating that be alone stood firm throughout against Arthur Scargill - serves to nail the lie that only Mrs Thatcher and the Conservatives can give firm leadership". Owen and the Conservatives, we are asked to

believe, would do just as well. More artful is the exploitation of Conservative worries about industrial policy and, in particuent willingness to countenance foreign takeovers in the name of privatization. While leaving bis own views on Westland and BL clouded in obscurity, be articulates a common yearning - seen notably in the House of Lords select committee report on overseas trade - for a coherent industrial strategy against which individual cases can be judged.

The attitude of Tory backbenchers to the projected BL deals with Ford and GM revealed bigh anxiety about the government's intentions. Why, they asked, did the government not play the patriotic card - a joker assumed to be dealt to all Conservative

prime ministers. The target is well chosen. But does he hit it? Does Owen have anything to offer the mainstream Tory voter who shares these concerns? On the evidence of A United Kingdom the answer must be no. It is an unconvincing agenda, long on analysis and short

on practical politics. He tries to anticipate this line of attack. For him, "the specific measures are nowhere near as important as the underlying analysis. If we could only obtain a greater consensus on the need for more private investment, bow this can be achieved would become a more technical than political question.

This cavalier dismissal of most political and economic controversy this century as mere 'technical questions" which Wrigglesworth or some other menial in the Treasury can settle is more silly than dangerous. But the underlying analysis is more seriously flawed.

His doomsday chapter entitled National Decline is not belped by some elementary errors of fact. We learn, for example, that the standard of living in Puerto Rico and Taiwan is "almost on a par with ours". Yet the World Bank reports our GDP per head as just over \$9,000, with Puerto Rico and

His macro-economic arguments are also flawed. They are based on the premise that a consumer boom is in prospect at the expense of industrial investment and growth. Yet the events of the past three months, with a collapse of the oil price and falling interest and exchange rates, create the most favourable climate for industry for many years. Investment and exports, it is generally forecast, will grow more rapidly than consumer spending.

The errors are, bowever, less important than the shape which emerges of the SDP approach to the economy. In many areas it would differ little, if at all, from this government's strategy. Though Owen tries to claim that employee share schemes and wider share ownership more generally are Alliance inventions, elsewhere even be acknowledges



Owen: an amountinging agen long on analysis but short on practical politics

that significant progress has been made under Mrs Thatcher.

industrial democracy. Conservatives call it popular capitalism. Here we are in the realism of broad marketing - of distinction without difference.

But there is another side to his coin: an interventionist impulse which translates into incomes policy, massive increases in regional aid, buge export subventions, and the other paraphernalia of corporatism and protection.

Incomes policy is the centrepiece. But precisely which form Owen would adopt is unclear. He canvasses a range of foreign exemplars, an inflation tax linked to profit sharing, a quite different "payroll incentive" for companies which increase their labour force, and, for the public sector, a complex comparability scheme which puts the Clegg pay awards in the shade.

The author, now with McKinsey and Co, was until recently special Nor does be advance any plaus-

### moreover . . . Miles Kington

# Eyeways and byways

Richard Ingrams is leaving Private Exe to edit a new version of the Shell Country Guides—Yorkshire is already finished and Oxfordshire is being done now. But as the editorship of the Eye is the only job lngrams has ever had the only job lngrams had been ever had you will not be surprised to learn that it has heavily affected the style of the new Shell guides, as these extracts from the Oxfordshire work demonstrate:

. Great Oxford Bores of the Past. No 86 ... nf course, the really ciever bloke at New College was the Rev Spooner, he invented the spoonerism which is when you swap the front bits of words to make a new phrase, it's really clever, his most famous one is Kinkering Kongs their titles take", though personally I never thought that very funny, I like the one where he said that the Lord is a shoving leopard, do you get it? What he really meant to say was the Lord is a loving shepherd, another one is where he said that the cat fell off the roof and popped on its drawers, instead of dropped on its paws, though I suppose it all seemed funnier when he was alive. Cleribew Corner, on the Duke of Mariborough's victories.

Blenheim was a doddle. Ramillies was quite hard, But when he won Malplaquet, Everyone Oudenarde!

 A Doctor Writes. "Sometimes patients are referred to the suffer-ing what is called an Oxford education. This disease lasts about three years, sometimes four, and the normal symptoms are staying up very late, consuming vast overdoses of instant coffee, talking incessantly about God, sex and politics, and a marked distaste for any kiod of normal work. In severe cases it may lead to delusions of self-importance, sexual over-activity and rowing along rivers trying to hit the boat in front of you. Basically, it is just a form of retarded infantile activity and should clear up by itself. Occasinally, however, the disease planner and economic geographer. | lingers into adult life, where it

takes the form of refusing to leave Oxford (becoming a don) or persisting in editing college-type mags (running Private Eye). There is no cure for either form."

• E.J.Thribb: Lines on the death of Maurice Bowra So Farewell. Maurice Bowra, head of

Wadham. A curious name, Wadham, But not as odd as Bowra, I asked Keith's mum if she knew Anything about it. She said she thought that A Morris Bowra was a car Made by Lord Nuffield. Can this be right?

• Dear Bill. I don't know if you read that I

had been offered a Fellowship at All Souls, which M was furious at. seeing it as a further insult after she had been refused an homorry doctorate by the city of snearing spires. But I insisted on accepting it, seeng it as a chance to get a from the Downing Street, and house, so the Major and I stroff for the day along the A40 towards for the day along the A40 forwards Oxford. First stop, as you can guess, was the old Ragged Staff at Nuncham Stratford, where we so memorably sloshed to 1965 fdo you remember Arthur doing sen lengths of the pond and being savaged by gold-fish?) After that, I'm afraid, we took the wrong riad and never got to Oxford; eading up instead at the Three Jolly Stockbrokers in Reading (continued in the Shell Guide to Berkshire) Berkshire)

Apology. In the Shell Guide to Yorkshire we said that the Vikings had looted and descrated the City of York, committing rape and pillage. Following a court action by the Danish government, we now recognize that there was 1077 truth in this malicious story and that the Vikings established a responsible and caring township. We would like to apologize to all Vikings and have agreed to pay an appropriate sum to the Danish Foreign Office.

### published by Penguin (£2.95). Boom town denied the chance to grow

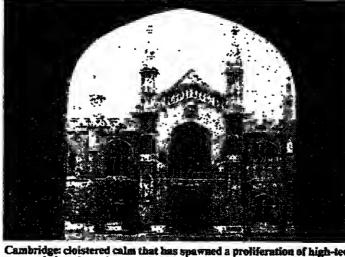
Cambridge is Thatcher country. She has pinned her hopes for economic recovery on small business, high technology and sunrise industry. In most of a Britain still dominated by the declining industries of an earlier era there are few signs of such life. In Cambridge her vision unfolds.

A year ago there were no fewer than 350 small high-technology businesses in the city, increasing by between 30 and 40 a year, involved in electronics, telecommunications, scientific instruments, bio-technology and computing. The firms are not mere branches of multinationals and despite their small size and youth - more than half were established during the past 10 years - they account for nearly 20 per cent of employment in the Cambridge area. Extrapolating their present birth and survival rates, employment can be ex-

pected to grow rapidly.

Cambridge is, in short, rather like Victorian Manchester. It displays all the characteristics of a booming entrepreneurial economy. And what has made it grow is simple: the raw material necessary for high technology industry is brainpower, and Cambridge University is a leading scientific centre.

But the mere availability of academic excellence cannot explain the boom in enterprise; after all, the academics could just as easily spend their time pursuing arcane research projects within the study by Segal, Quince and Partners shows that this university, has created, partly by accident, an environment that facilitates con-PHS tact with industry. Faculty mem-



Cambridge: cloistered calm that has spawned a proliferation of high-tech industries - but now held back by planning restrictions

bers can enter business yet retain their posts and university salaries, so minimizing the risks involved. Cambridge University has traditionally had a variety of loose and flexible contractual relationships with its staff, with less attention than is usually paid to formal job description. They have been comparatively free to decide how they spend their time and whether to engage in outside work. In applied sciences especially there is a natural presumption that staff will take on consultancies and other outside employment.

All this has helped create in Cambridge a university network of business and social contacts so strong that a study of company histories showed that the university has been the origin, directly or indirectly, of most of the new

But growth is now threatened. Cambridgeshire County Council has a Structure Plan, produced in the late 1970s, and approved by the Environment Secretary in 1980, dictating that Cambridge shall not boom. It is identified, to use the planners' jargon, as an area of policy restraint on population growth. That means that present plans will not meet the full demand for bousing in the city.

Following the principles of a plan for Cambridge written in 1950 by William Holford, the County Council wishes to protect the city's physical setting; it wants to preserve long-distance views of the city and countryside beyond. In line with this, it is seeking a further extension of the green belt around the city. The Structure Plan, as revised, will release 150 acres of land on the city's out-

The city says there is probably, enough land far new roads and bouses if the present rate of house. construction continues. But if it increases the planners admit that the land supply will be in-sufficient. Whether there is enough land to accommodate the. expected increase in the city's population is unclear.

the year 2000 at least.

evident. There is a shortage of suitable scientific and computer staff in Cambridge. With the price, of a three-bedroomed terrace-bouse now between £65,000 and £100,000, that is not surprising. As things stand an unemployed technologist living in the north, able to raise £35,000 from his existing home, would need to find an additional £30,000 to £65,000 to move to Cambridge. Even if he decided to postpone his move the situation is unlikely to improve According to the House Builders recording to the House similaris. Federation the extension of the green belt will mean that all available land for new building will be used up within three years.

The results of such planning are

The arguments for protecting the environment in Cambridge are strong. Equally powerful are the arguments for allowing the city to grow. We cannot afford to hold back the Cambridge effect. What would have become of us in the 10th century if our appearance and 19th century if our ancestors had chosen to sacrifice growth for conservation in Manchester, Birmingham or Leeds?

Ian Wray The author is a chartered town

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### **EDUCATIONAL SABOTAGE**

Which teacher organization a few years ago was condemning O Levels, and agitating for the abolition of the existing pattern of school examinations at 16 - plus ? Which teacher organization this week endorsed O Levels and all existing arrangements for 16-plus by promising to sabotage their replacement? The answer is of course the same. The National Union of Teachers, sometime advocate of educational reform, scourge of "elitist" examination boards, propagandist for a comprehensive scheme of examinations to match the organization of the secondary schools, is turned agent of educational reaction. -

It has pulled out of the air a figure for the cost of the new examinations, which happens to be a quintuple of the Government's sum. No negotiation. No room for recalculation. No consultants' reports' to back up the reasoning. In this atmosphere of industrial militancy, the interests of children go by the board.

The union's perennial claim to professional remuneration for its members is lessened. It is not so much the content of its arguments, for of course there is a cost in terms of books and training attached to the new examination and there is no reason to believe the government got it exactly right. It is the procedures the NUT now adopts to put its case: unilateral action mere months before tuition for the new examination begins m carnest. There are two questions to be asked in the wake of the NUT conference. One, the more pressing, is about the fate of the General Certificate of Secondary Education.

reform rather than one grown cannot be required to underorganically out of the life of the schools and their assessments of achievement. Yet it has been one curiously at odds with other educational priorities. Where, for example, is the connexion with the Government's simultaneous concern about standardizing the curriculum of the secondary school. The GCSE reform has been insulated entirely from the debate about introducing into the schools some greater awareness of the industrial and economic circumstances in which we live. The telling question is what relationship exists be-tween the GSCE and the Technical and Vocational Education Initiative.

GCSE stood, and, despite havering by Sir Keith Joseph, still stands for the worst of both worlds. It appears to compromise the academic standards of O level while not introducing into the curriculum the vocational and technical component needed to rescue the secondary education of pupils in the lower reaches of the ability range. There is an argument, in other words, for looking again at the examination reform, and at its timetabling.

But now the NUT has thrown down a gauntlet, and the issue also becomes one of management of the education. system. That means, in so many words, "doing many words, "doing something" about the NUT. The basis of the pay dispute dispute has been denomination - of teachers' responsibilities, and the possibility of better pay once. those duties had been defined. Now the NUT has made the schools.

It has been a top-down question explicit. If teachers take specified tasks such as preparation for an examination as laid down by their employers, then educational anarchy looms closer than it has at any time during the past eighteen months of discord.

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Action in the first instance must come from the local education authorities. But the Government's priority is clearly to construct a teachers' contract, the breach of which will be a an unambiguous action, for which penalty will be exacted. There are those who will say now let the Government treat the teachers as recalcitrant trade unionists and procure wholesale dismissals. That is no option: There are thousands of school children, fourth-formers this year, who in September are due to start GCSE courses.

To call the teachers' bluff and carry on would be probably - to subject schoolchildren to disruption and enervating uncertainty. The alternative course is to suspend the operation of the new exams. That would be a defeat, but one far better than bowing the knee before this Easter militancy and bribing the teachers - and repay them for the heat of their seaside rhetoric. The next steps are subtle. They encompass means of minimizing the influence of the NUT, the reconstruction of pay negotiation and bargaining over conditions of service in such a way that the militants are undermined. The speechifying and voting at this week's conference has made it clear that the NUT has abandoned any claim to a responsible role in the running of the

### THE JUDGEMENT OF DR WALDHEIM

A year ago it would have former Secretary General of Congress, have split inter-the United Nations could have national opinion. They have had a less than unblemished also split Jewish opinion, with 10 come up with any satisfac-part. The checks on any can the renowined Nazi frunter, tory explanation, let alone rinorous, the documents con-" Dr Waldheim's innocence. In clarify his wartime activities. one with any skeleton to conceal would even have submitted himself for election references to Waldheim and in the first place. Or so it was thought.

Credulity would have been stretched still further if the name of Dr Kurt Waldheim had been mentioned in this connexion - a man who, while at the UN, became famous (some would say notorious) for the dull probity he brought to the job. Yet it is Dr Waldheim in particular his war record, which is now under scrutiny.

The question originally posed was this: Was Dr Waldheim involved, however indirectly, in the deportation of Greek Jews from Salonika while serving with the German army in the Balkans in 1942? And if he was involved, even . or peripherally, should he be eligible for public office - not for the UN post from which he has already retired, but for the Presidency of Austria to which he now aspires.

The accusations, made origseemed inconceivable that a inally by the World Jewish didate for such a post are so Simon Wiesenthal, protesting documentation; that would Washington to Belgrade have been combing their records for the Balkan deportations. And yesterday, Dr Waldheim was moved to produce alibis for his good conduct in the Balkans for the benefit of assembled journalists in Vienna. But still the picture is unclear.

> What is clear, perhaps all that is clear so far, is that a part of Dr Waldheim's past is missing. The gap relates to a period when the extant records show him to have been serving in the Balkans, a time and a place associated with some of the less savoury episodes of the second world war. But the coincidence of these facts cannot in itself be held to damn the former UN Secretary Gen-

Where he does stand condemned is in his apparent disregard of the problem until now. Questioned about the omission of the disputed period from his autobiography,

he gave the less than ingenuous reply that a full account of his life would be too boring. And he has since been unable suggests that he concealed the fact that he had served in the Balkans. Such a lack of judgement is no recommendation for a man who is putting himself forward for election as a statesman.

This omission is particularly unfortunate, however, for a man who would represent Austria on the international stage. Many would feel that. while Germans - East and West - have gone a long way towards expiating the sins of their Nazi past, Austrians have maintained: a disturbing ambiguity towards their recent history. Austria needs a president whose integrity is beyond reproach. This is why it is so important that Dr Waldheim should account for his conduct fully, even though it relates to a period more than 40 years removed from the present. If he cannot do so, he should stand-down: not as-a-recognition of guilt, but for the sake of his country.

### FAIR SHARES FOR ALL

Too many loose ends are now hanging out of the Stock Exchange inquiry into dealings in Westland shares. Much hangs on its successful completion and, in the end, it may yet be the Department of Trade and Industry that has the task of tidying them up.

First, there is the reputation of the system of self-regulation practised by the City of London, elements of which the Government is seeking to. carry forward into the new, more competitive world of finance that will exist from this autumn. Lessons from this inquiry should inform the argument surrounding the Financial Services Bill, as to the proper powers to be vested in the Securities and Investment Board.

Second, there is the question of public confidence in the rights of the small shareholder, and thus in the credibility of the vision of "popular capitalism" nurtured by the Prime Minister. And, third, comes the peaceful conclusion of a debate into the future of a small British manufacturing concern which has already driven two senior ministers. from the Cabinet.

It may be the third that or justify these rules.

stimulates most political interest in the Stock Exchange inquiry, but it is tangential to the main issues. The questions raised by "mystery buying" of Westland shares for sums way over the market price touch on the rules governing the struggles for control of a wide variety of public companies.

The Stock Exchange report is not yet complete; that, so far, is the Department of Trade and Industry's excuse for taking no action. The Stock Exchange's evidence is incomplete; that is its excuse for delaying publication, and perhaps for publishing only an abridged report at the end of the day. But, as a minimum, both institutions have to make clear their recommendations on certain key points.

- If the Stock Exchange now has any doubt about the adequacy of existing rules requiring large shareholders to offer the same price for all other shares, it should clarify these immediately. The present rules certainly appeared to allow trading in Westland shares to be carried on in a way that grossly disadvantaged small shareholders; it is now up to the Stock Exchange to amend .

A trickier problem for the Stock Exchange is raised by the question as to whether the buying of shares at a premium was orchestrated by a "concert party" of purchasers who took care to conceal their identity. Such a conspiracy would not be easy to establish. Westland and its advisers, which in the interests of all shareholders have an obvious need to establish the truth, may get further in their investigations

than the Stock Exchange. But neither can afford to leave the issue in doubt. The Stock Exchange should be eocouraged to give full and public answers. In the past, it has had the courage to publish some pretty plain speaking. But it seems likely, at the end of the day that the Stock Exchange will simply find

itself short of evidence. The responsibility for investigation will then rest squarely on the Department of Trade and Industry. It is, indeed, questionable whether the DTI should not have begun its own inquiries already. The very least it can do is hold itself ready to act swiftly. The cause of selfregulation will not enhanced by a slow buck-pass from one authority to another.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Essential skills for jobs at top From the Master of St. Catherine's

College, Oxford Sir, It was a pity that a construc-tive series of articles on Whitehall should have been rounded off by a confusing leading article (March

I do not know whether "reform is now in reverse," but I am sure that the achievement of the reforms that are needed will depend on a clearer understanding of the relationship today between West-minster and Whitehall, and betweeo Mioisters and Civil Servants, than the article provided. That relationship is at the heart of the difference between Whitehall and the private sector. It is difficult to judge whether the "boundary between politics

and administration" can be redrawn and "policed without revolutionary changes" without knowing the details of what is proposed; but the essential test would be whether giving Civil Servants greater discretion to manage the business of government" would significantly limit the accountability of Ministers to Parliament or damage the mutual confidence between them and their officials.

The critics of Whitehall frequently fail to take sufficient account of the environment of political pressures and parliamentary accountability within which government has to be conducted. It is their expertise in managing government business within that environment which marks the particular value of senior Civil Servants to Ministers. A gross distortion of the Civil Servant's role is implied in the observation: "Westland glorified not the Civil Servant as manager but the official as fixer." The Civil Servant, in partnership with Ministers, is a manager of policies and their implementation as well as a

manager of money and staffs. Reforms in the management of government business are certainly needed, and importing more good specialists into Whitehall could help to achieve them. But the special contribution of those coming fresh to Whitehall will need to be complemented by the experience and skills of senior Civil Servants if Ministers are to carry through effectively the agenda for action you envisage "for the sake of programmes and policies." Yours faithfully, PATRICK NAIRNE,

St Catherine's College, Oxford. March 28.

### Sunday trading From Mrs Elizabeth Yonge

Sir, With the furore over the laws, why have the Churches and others stayed so silent about the increasing secularization of Good

Yours faithfully, ELIZABETH YONGE, 33 Clancarty Road, SW6. March 26.

### Moves to Rome

From Mr Michael Wynne-Parker Sir, I am encouraged to read that his Holiness the Pope "expresses his fundamental doubts about the possibility of rational advances in the field of ecumenism", referred to by Mr Beckwith (March 25). Ecumenism is similar to utopianism and both, as popularly under-stood, have much to answer for. Both, in my view, are undesirable, unrealistic and dangerous.

They are undesirable, as the

outcome of both would diminish individual development. . They are unrealistic, as history shows that enforced collectivity quickly leads to further dissect. They are dangerous, as their exponents, consumed with desire for One World or One Church.

come to regard dissenters as foes, to be reckoned with. Instead of continued preoccupa-tion with the ecumenical dream machine, let us develop appreciation and respect for the genuine contributions of all traditions, learning to co-exist in harmony.

It is surely in diversity, coupled

with the recognition of the validity of another point of view, that the future of both State and Church indeed civilization - hes. Yours faithfully, M. WYNNE-PARKER.

The Lodge. Saxlingham Thorpe, Norwich. March 27.

### Return of Eros

From Mr Derrick L. Bowler Sir, Whilst admiring the newly refurbished figure of Eros in Piccadilly Circus I was concerned to observe that the leg on which he is poised appeared to be slightly out of the perpendicular. I wondered whether this was (a) a natural position for a body to assume when aiming an arrow whilst poised on one leg and therefore part of the artistic merit

(b) a slight error by those responsible for the refurbishment and reinstatement of the statue. (c) a necessary "bias" to overcome a structural problem associated with the distribution of the weight of the statue.

of the piece,

I would be interested to bear from those of your readers qualified to comment. Yours sincerely.

DERRICK L. BOWLER. 82B Windmill Lane, Greenford, Middlesex: March 25,

### Seeking a road to school reform

From the General Secretary of the Rational Association of Head but we are entitled to expect better Teachers

Sir. The article by Ronald Butt oo March 27, uoder the heading "Why Sir Keith should go now" reveals a disappointing shallow-ness of thinking on the part of such a distinguished journalist. There can be no doubt that there is a need for a fuodamental reform io the education system but the proposals outlined by Ronald Butt are almost totally irrelevant to the major issues which the Govern-

ment resolutely refuses to tackle. I seree that there is far too much bureaucracy in the maintained education system and there can be no doubt that we need to give a good deal more power and responsibility to the schools themselves. However, to take as one's model either the voluntary-aided sector or the independent sector as the answer to all our ills is to deceive the parents and all others who are rightly concerned about their children's education.

Ronald Butt believes that because there is a high percentage of voluntary-aided schools at the top of the ILEA "league table" oo examinatioo results, then that proves that this must be the case throughout the country.

He then goes oo to argue that the Government must preserve grammar school standards and copy the independent sector by various proposals, including a voucher system and an expansion of the voluntary aided sector. He even iotroduces the concept of schools fixing their own teachers pay, which would be the greatest recipe for chaos.

The Government might believe it to be politically astute to follow

Trial by jury From Mr J. T. Gladysz Sir, I feel that the validity of Bernard Levio's arguments in today's issue of The Times (March

28) deserves to be questioned. Even the best of legal systems cannot stand still, while significant changes occur io the society's behaviour, I do not think Mr Levin would quarrel with" the premise that a considerable increase in violent crimes calls for more efficient, if not stronger, measures.

The purpose of a trial by jury was originally dictated by a need for impartiality, at the time when judges were not entirely free of political influences. The reason for such assurance has long sioce disappeared with the establishment of a complete independence of the judiciary.

Moreover, in most cases ordinary, citizens are unable to understand a modern trial with all its outances and legal technicali-

March 28. Sir, Your correspondent, Mr Mau-

rice Sutton (March 21), ascribes the current financial inadequacies of the NHS to consultant overspending oo high-tech equipment, but oothing can be further from. the muth in most district general. hospitais. Last week the consultants here speol some hours agonising over.

Hospital pressures

From Dr R. L. Bown

the current state of 12-year-old operating theatre tables which are falling apart. The repair of each costs £4,000 and replacement some £8,000, and there is mooey for oeither. This is not bigh-tech medicine but merely the basic tools of the trade! The maio factor causing the

overspend of the NHS is the ability of modern medicine to treal conditions hitherto untreatable, albeit expensively. Antibiotics for patients with cystic fibrosis for instance, which was previously fatal, add upwards of £50,000 to our yearly budget and this is not financed. Similarly, road traffic accident patients with multiple fractures and head injuries can be kept alive where previously they would have died.

Overwhelmingly, however, the

From Sir James Cable

article in The Times of Good Fleet against Libya if he had remembered what every American schoolboy used to know.

From the Head of the News Department. Foreign and Commonwealth Office Sir. There is no doubt that the need to use the BBC Russian Service is as great as it has ever been and I gladly join The Times in congratulating the BBC on its 40th anniversary. However, 1 should like to take issue with a couple of points in your editorial. For listeners in the East" (March

It may be a familiar misconception but it is simply not true to suggest that Bush House has appeared regularly at the top of a Foreign and Commonwealth Office cost-cutting list. In the last six years there has been a real increase of over 30 per ceot in the total grants-in-aid to external services. including a real iocrease of about 20 per cent in the allocation for current expenditure on broadcast-

Broadcasting levels have risen

March 27. lies, and are somewhat lost in distinguishing between valid and

but we are entitled to expect better

from this Government and I

doubt if it would be quite so

politically naive as to interpret the

concern about education policy

highlighted by the opinion polls as

meaning that the public acbes for a

return to the grammar

school/direct grant school system.

Government can demonstrate

that it intends to "start on the

fundamental reform of education"

(to quote Ronald Butt) and to

answer the understandable wor-

ries beld by parents and others

about the education system is to

urgently reform the provision for the 14-19 age group and to produce a coherent policy on education and training for all.

It really is time that we started to take a leaf out of the book of our

major industrial competitors and

began to produce a well educated

and well trained cohort of young people so that we can make the

earliest possible start oo narrow-

ing the gap that so patently exists

between us and other

plemented by a new department of

education and training, would rightly consign the son of ideas set out in Ronald Butt's article to

oblivioo which is, quite frankly,

The National Association of Head

Such a policy, when

industrialised nations.

where they belong.

DAVID M. HART.

General Secretary,

6 Paddockhall Road.

Haywards Heath,

Yours faithfully.

Teachers.

Holly House.

The best way in which this

improvised evidence. They are also more susceptible to theatrical performances by some prosecutors and defenders. But if they are to rely only on the judge's summing up and are to act accordingly, then they really defeat the purpose of their own existance. Add to it the parody of jury challenges; and it is clear that the whole jury system should be abolished as outdated.

There is a lot to be said for a trial by a judge with two assessors, all of them trained lawyers, and a majority verdict, as in some continental countries. There are equally sound arguments for an investigation judge, in serious crimes, who would not only ease the lask of the police but would also cosure the rights of a suspect. Yours faithfully, J. T. GLADYSZ.

45 Footaine Road, SW16.

aged need more treatment, both individually and in eotirety, and in the last two weeks I have sent patients of 80-plus for pacemaker insertioo and a 76-year-old for a heart operation which would not have been thought possible even

five years ago. Unfortunately, the methods advocated by the Griffiths report, whilst applicable 10 commerce involved in a profit and loss situation, do not extrapolate to the NHS, where the service must be kept going irrespective of financial considerations. They have merely caused the sacking of our district authority chairman, the "resignation" of our district general manager and ao inability to find consultaot members willing to take on chairmanship of the consultant staff committee or membership of the district

management team. Consequent lack of morale amongst staff is now being re-flected to a fall in the number of patients that we are able to treat. Yours faithfully. R. L. BOWN. Frimley Park Hospital.

Portsmouth Road, Frimley, Surrey March 25.

### Sirte recalled

Sir. History is nowadays out of fashion, but a smattering does make international relations easier to understand. David Watts would have been less puzzled (bis Friday) by the action of the Sixth One of the many exceptions to his strange choice of 1917 as the

year "when the US first came oo to the world stage" was the campaign of 1803-4 which the United States Navy conducted against one of Colonel Gadaffi's predecessors - Yusuf Karamanli Bashaw of Tripoli. The American grievance then was much the same: Tripoli was a nest of pirates. Yours faithfully.

JAMES CABLE. 8 Essex Close. Cambridge. March 28.

from 7111/2 to 727/2 bours per Signals to the East week during this time, the Russian service in particular rising from 34% to 46 hours per week. By comparison, the Diplomatic Service's own financial resources.

excluding aid, have fallen by some 4 per cent in real terms over the last five years, while the overseas commitments and responsibilities of the FCO have increased. This has inevitably led to the closure of a number of our overseas posts. Jamming is a major problem for

the Russian service. We regularly raise it with the Soviet Government bilaterally (at ministerial and official level) and in multilateral fora. One element of the present £100million capital programme for increased audibility for the external services involves boosting our signals to the USSR. Yours faithfully, C. J. R. MEYER.

News Department. Foreign and Commonwealth Of fice, SWI. March 25.

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### ON THIS DAY

**APRIL 4 1913** 

On February 19, 1913 n 7lb bomb exploded in the house of Lloyd George at Walton Heath while he was in the South of France. He was then Chancellor of the Exchequer. Mrs Emmeline Pankhurst (1858-1928), the militant leader for women's suffrage, accepted responsibility for the act. She was imprisoned in Holloway jail and went on a hunger strike. After 12 months sh

vas released, and then re-arrested 12 times under the notorious "Cal and Mouse Act". The outbreak of war in 1914 ended suffrage agitation and prison sentences

### MRS. PANKHURST SENTENCED THREE YEARS' PENAL SERVITUDE.

A Disorderly Scene In Court. The trial of Mrs. Pankhurst on the charge of inciting certain persons unknown to place an explosive in a building at Walton Surrey, with intent to destroy or damage it, was concluded at the entral Criminal Court yesterday. Mrs Pankhurst, who conducted her own defence, was found Guilty, with a strong recommendation to mercy, and Mr Justice Lush sen-tenced her to three years penal servitude. She had previously declared her intention to resist strenuously the prison treatment

until she was released. A scene of uproar followed the passing of the sentence. A number of women repeatedly shouted "Shame," and in the excitement which followed the voices of male sympathizers joined in the demonstration. There were ironical cheers, and a woman's voice struck up "For he's a jolly good fellow." Mr Justice Lush uttered an indignant protest against such hehav-iour and warned the demonstrators that, unless the disorder ceased, he should have the Court cleared. This rebuke, however, fell on deat ears, and the police, amid continued upmar and the singing of the 'Marseillaise," removed those reconsible for the disorder. Mrs. Pankhurst, who had meanwhile stood calmly in the dock gat bering up her papers, was vociferously cheered on leaving the Court for the cells. It was some time before quiet was restored, and the Judge warned those who made the demastration that unless they desist ed he should commit them to

Mrs. Pankhurst'a Speech. Mrs. Pankburst said she did not desire to give evidence or call witnesses, but she addressed the jury in her defence...

She had pleaded "Not guilty" to the indictment because in it she was described as having wickedly and maliciously incited" womeo to do certain acts. She was not a wicked or a malicious person neither were any of the women who her incitement. Therefore she felt herself justified, although she accepted responsibility for all the speeches she had made, in saying hat, looking at what she had do she was not guilty of having "wickedly and maliciously" incited women to break the law. It was a very serious thing when a large number of quite respectable, ordinary, and naturally law-abiding people of upright lives came to hold the law in cootempt. All good government rested on the acceptance of the law and respect for the law, and women of intelligence training, and upright lives had for many years past ceased to respect he laws of this country . . .

Mrs. Pankhurst, proceeding said that whether the sentence was long or short, she should not submit to it. The moment she left the Court-if she were sent to prison, whether to penal servitude or to a mild form of imprisonment-she would quite deliberately refuse to est food. She would join the women in Holloway who were already on "hunger strike." She would come out of prison-dead or alive—at the earliest possible moment, and once out, as soon as she was physically fit, she would enter into the fight again. Life was very dear to them all. She did not want to commit spicide. She wanted to see the women of this country enfranchised and to live until that was done. They offered themselves as sacrifices, as their forefathers did in the past. Had the jury the right to condemn another human being to death?—because that was what it amounted to. Could they throw the first stone? Had they the right to judge women? The horrible evila ravaging civilization would never be remedied until women got the vote.

"Hunger Strike" Threatened Mrs. Pankhurst said that what ever sentence was passed upoo her she would do all that was humanel possible to terminate it at the earliest possible moment. She had no sense of guilt. She felt she was doing her duty. She would take the desperate remedy that other womeo had taken. The struggle would be a very unequal one, but she should make it as long as she had an incb of strength left in her. She would fight, and fight, and fight from the moment she entered the prison. She would struggle agains verwhelming odds, and she would resist the doctors . . .

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### Of shoes and ships...

From Mr Pat Adams Sir, Surely A.P.Herbert said it all in his lines on the President of the Board of Trade: This high official, all allow, Is grossly overpaid. There wasn't any Board, and now There isn't any trade. Yours faithfully. PAT ADAMS, Savage Club, 9 Fitzmaurice Place.

Berkeley Square, W1.

March 31.



# **SOCIAL**

### COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE April 3: The Prince Andrew left Heathrow Airport, London this morning for Nassau, the Ba-hamas where His Royal Highness will attend a dinner/dance in aid of the Gordonstoun American Foundation.
Wing Commander Adam

Wise is in attendance. His Excellency the Saudi Ara-hian Ambassador and Madame hian Ambassador and Maname Almanqour. His Excellency the High Commissioner for the Republic of Zambia and Mrs Zuze, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and Mrs King. Sir David and Lady Willcocks.
Professor Sir Geoffrey and Lady
Allen, Miss Elizabeth Chesterton and Mr and Mrs Chris-

topher McMahon have arrived at Windsor Castle.

By command of The Queen,
Lieutenant-General Sir John
Richards (Marshal of the Dip-Richards (Marshal of the Dip-lomatic Corps) this moming called upon His Excellency the Hon J. V. Cruz and Madame Cruz at 9 Palace Green. W8 in order to bid farewell to His Excellency upon relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the Philippines to the Court of St James's.

**BUCKINGHAM PALACE** April 3: The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips this evening at-tended the premiere of the film Absolute Beginners, in celebra-tion of the City of Westminster's tion of the City of Westminster's Cambridge, at noon, on Sat-400 years, at the Leicester urday, May 3, 1986.

### Birthdays today

Mr Peter Attenborough, 48; Sir John Beith, 72; the Right Rev D.S. Cross, 58; Brigadier Anne Field, 60; Mr John Fleming, 50; Mr Trevor Griffiths, 51; Earl Jellicoe, 68: Colonel B.M. Knox, 70; Viscount Leathers. 78; the Marques de Santa Cruz, 84.

### **Judges retire**

Judge Abdela, QC, retired from the Circuit Bench on the South-eastern Circuit on April 2, and Judge Davison retired from the Circuit Bench on the Midland and Oxford Circuit on April 1.

Director General Security, was the reviewing officer when 110 officers of No 91 Initial Officer Training Course graduated from the Royal Air Force College Cranwell on March 27:

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Flying Officers J C Bottomies; BSC. A
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Norton, BSC. A
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officer): Flying Officer A Russell.

An artificial blood vessel has

withstood the physiological pressures of a human artery in

aboratory tests. Like the cells of

the innermost lining of natural

ones, the man-made variety secretes substances such as prostacyclin and Willehrand's factor when blood is recirculated

The synthetic type has many

characteristics of the arteries supplying muscles with blood. It was made by Crispin Weinberg and Eugene Bell in the department of binlings ut the Massachusetts Institute of Tarberters are instituted in

Technology, as a by-product of other work.

The scientists were working originally with flat sheets of the synthetic material Dacron, as the substrate on which to create

a layer of hovine tissue. First,

they formed a matrix of fibres

made from collagen, the protein substance that is the main

Square Theatre where Her Royal Highness was received by the Lord Mayor of Westminster (Councillor Roger Bramble). Mrs Malcolm Wallace was in

KENSINGTON PALACE April 3: The Prince of Wales. Duke of Cornwall, arrived at Penzance Station in the Royal

Train this morning.
The Prince of Wales, Duke of Cornwall then travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight to visit the Isles of Scilly where His Royal Highness inaugurated the Mains Electricity Supply for the Off-Islands of the Isles of Scilly.

against trade and industry. He thought that the snobbish April 3: Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloucester this afternoon visited the Royal Army Vet-erinary Corps Training Centre, Welhy Lane. Melton Mowbray. and later opened Age Concern new Gloucester House at Mel ton. Mowbray, Leicestershire. Mrs Michael Harvey was in

Princess Michael of Kent will open the annual conference of the International Federation of Airline Pilots at the Cumber land Hotel on April 10. The King and Queen of Spain

attendance.

will pay a state visit from April 22 to 25 and will stay at Windsor A memorial service for Vis-

count Knutsford will be held at

St John the Baptist, Aldenham loday at 2.30pm. A memorial service for Mr R.L. Howland will be held in the Chapel of St John's College,

### Marine Society

The 214th annual court of the Marine Society will be held at 3pm on Thursday, May 8, at the Mansion House. Viscount

### Cranwell graduation Air Vice-Marshal D.B. Leach,

General Dubes Branch lair engineers:
Fiving Officer G L Fairburst.
General Outles Branch Iground)
Inhier control:
Fiving Officers A J Lindsay. BA. C
Scott: Pilot Officers L J Charles, BA.
WRAF. C H Dahlan, BA. G J Findlay.
BSC. S J Murgafroyd, BA. WRAF. C S
Poliard. BSC.
General Dubes Branch (ground) - air
raffic control:
Pilot Officers A M Brown, BSC, G J
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Pilot, SA, B A Hamilton, BEd. WRAF.
A E Wycherley, BSC, WRAF.

A hicentenary commemorative service will be held at 5pm, on Tuesday, June 10. in West-minster Abbey, for Jonas Hanway (1712-1786), founder of the Marine Society. The address will be given by Admiral of the Fleet Lord Lewin, Inquiries should be addressed to the secretary at 202 Lambeth Road, London, SEI.

Runciman of Doxford, presi-dent, will be in the chair.

Engineer Branch: Flying Officers G J Bland, BSc, J H Chandler, C W R Gibert, BEng, G W Hill, BEng, D C McCandless, Nackeuzie, N H Oram; Pilol Officers O W Hisson, BEng, II E J Mason, BSC, W F F Pollard, BSC, H F Voung, BSC. Supply Branch: Flying Officers M C McCann, 3 C Morgan, M A Penlon, WHAF: Pilot Officer S J Wilson, BSc: Acting Pilot Officer S O Dainton, Officer S O Dalnton,
Administrative Branch (secretariat:
Figing Officers M A Bowman. O P
Mackenzie, Pitol Officers S J Powell,
BA, WRAF, J Smith, 2A, WRAF,
Administrative Branch (education):
Flight Lieutenani C J Bresdin, BSC,
Flying Officers O G Hebbes, BEA, A A
herr, BEA, WRAF,

Administrative Branch (physical education): Pitol Officers A J Colgan, BEd. S J Darling, BEd. Darting, BEd,
Security irregiments;
Flying Officers C R Brake, BSc, N F
Chaimers, BSc, A M Ward, BSc
Acting Pilot Officer G O Brown,
Security Branch (Provost);
Flying Officer O J D'Ardenne,
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Pilot: 2nd Lieutenants A Bakar, M
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Sultan of Oman's Air Force

Pilot: Pilot Officer Z Ai Styabi.

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Ai Mukhelni; Flight Lieutenants S Ai

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Science report

Artificial artery stands up to tests

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

component of white connective parts of the body.

tn grow a layer of the endothelial

type of cells, which line the innermost part of blood vessels

when the biologists found that the cells flourished under those conditions, they constructed tubes of the Dacron-collagen mesh lined with living smooth muscle and endothelial cells.

muscle and endnthelial cells.

In the small circulatory sys-tem designed to mimic the blood circulation, the engineered ver-sion presented the same type of

The purpose of the experiment was to try in create a working model in the laboratory for investigating various cardio-

vascular diseases and other disorders involving the circulation of the blood. There are plans in try implants on animals.

able barrier as the natural

That platform was then used

# COURT Lesson in classic economics OBITUARY By Phillip Howard OBITUARY SIR

industrial management and engineering should be held in In his presidential address to the Classical Association of such low esteem by young Scotland and England in Glasgow, Sir Nicholas Goodison, Britain could not succeed chairman of the Stock Exand prosper he said, unless

change, scolded the British the brightest and best were educational system for its involved in industry. He had many suggestions to improve nttitudes, including making business studies an important ties to equip students of the humanities for life in a struga part of the humanities curriculum, industrial case studies replacing cadet corps field days and a basic business course for everybody.

Sir Nicholas may not have persuaded all his audience of the benefits of beating their paradigms to portfolios. But they could always console the weally as with the thought Edwardian put-down, "his themselves with the thought family is in trade", still ruled. that Sir Nicholas himself has In the country of Watt and not done badly in the City with Brunel, it was incredible that a classics degree from a good-

ish classicist university; and that among our industrial competitors the French, the Germans, and even the Japa-nese, teach the classics quite as rigorously as we do. Professor Fergus Millar, of

Oxford, gave an interesting new perspective to the politics of Rome in the late Republic. The traditional model was that a stable oligarchic system was destabilized by eruptions

of mob violence.
Professor Millar demonstrated, with close scholarship, that Rome towards the end of the Republic was not an oligarchy or an aristrocacy, nor quite a democracy, but populist crowd politics kept power and its benefits with the masses — provided, of course, that the masses were male

### Forthcoming marriages Mr D.J. Douetil and Miss A.C. Williamson

The engagement is announced between Dane Jonathan, eldest

son of Mr and Mrs Dane Douetil, Busbridge Lakes House, Godalming, and Antonia Clare, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Donald Williamson, 14 Park Crescent, Tayakesham

The engagement is announced between Paul, elder son of Mr and Mrs G. Frost, of Bessacarr,

Doncaster, and Joanna, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.S. Rodhouse, of St Helier, Jersey.

The engagement is announced

between Angus Graham, of 26 Sloane Gardens, London, SW1.

and Clare, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Cecil Taylor, of

Wickens, Seaview, Isle of Wight.

and Miss J.C. Rodhouse

Mr R.A. Graham and Miss C.J.C. Taylor

Mr N.P.W. Hobday and Miss T. Walker

Mr J.P.A. Knight

Mr I.J. Makowski

and Miss C.A. Palmer

and Miss S.G. Hargreaves

The engagement is announce

between Ashley, elder son of Mr J.R. Knight, of Gloucestershire, and Mrs S. Knight, of Geneva, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr

and Mrs R. Hargreaves, of Canterbury, Kent.

The engagement is announced between lan Julian, son of Mr

Julian Makowski, of Le Villard,

Provence, France, and Mrs Eileen Makowski, of Canberra, Australia, and Caroline Ann, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Palmer, of Pyrford,

Mr A.M. Morris and Miss A.P.M. Wigmore

Twickenham

Mr P. Frost

Lord Andrew Hay and Miss R.M. Booth

attitude towards industry.

He asked whether enough is

done in schools and universi-

gling economy. It was a ques-

tion expecting the answer no.

Sir Nicholas was saddened

that the cultural tradition in

Britain was strongly biased

And it got it.

The engagement is announced hetween Andrew Arthur George, son of the late Marquess of Tweeddale and the Marof Iweeddale and the mar-chioness of Tweeddale, Tweed-dale House, Gifford, East Lothian, and Rosanna Meryl, daughter of Mr John Booth, Darver Castle, Dundalk, Co Louth, and of Mrs Thomas Long, Martinstown House, The Curragh, Co Kildare.

Mr R.W. Telling and Miss F.M.M. O'Cousell The engagement is anoounced between Roy, only son of the late Mr W. Telling and of Mrs E.F. Telling, of Wolver-hampton, and Frances, eldest daughter of Sir Morgan and Lady O'Connell, of Lakeview House, Killarney, Co Kerry.

Mr S.L.W. Beard and Miss C. Slabbert

The engagement is announced between Simon, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.W. Beard, of South Yeo, Yeo Vale, Bideford, North Devon. and Carol, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.C. Slahbert, of Johanoeshurg, South Africa.

Mr P.E. Bearn and Dr V.M. Carroll

The engagement is announced between Philip, son of Mr Michael Bearn, of Lewes, Sussex, and Mrs Margaret Bearn, of Seaford, Sussex, and Virginia, second daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Carroll, of London, Mr M.V. Cardale

and Miss P.J. Gunn The engagement is announced

between Mark Vaisey, elder son of the Rev A.M. and Mrs Cardale, of Dorset, and Philippa Jane, younger daughter of Com-mander and Mrs S.J. Gunn, of Wylye, Wiltshire, Mr A. Dorward

and Miss A. Joyce

A marriage has been been arranged, and will take place on July 26, between Andrew, elder soo of Mr and Mrs D.P. Dorward, of St Andrews, Scotoland, and Andrea, daughter of Lytham St Annes, Lancashire, Mr and Mrs J.G.M. Joyce, of Ballaig, Comrie, Perthshire, and Mrs P. Wigmore, of St Andrews, Fife.

### Keble College The Warden and Fellows of Blacksmiths' Company

Kehle College invite old mem-bers and their families to a garden party to be held on Saturday, May 31, 1986 (Eights Week). Admission will be by numbered ticket only and applications should be made to the hursar.

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artificial vessel to the normal

phsysiological pressures offers the possibility of making in-

dividually tailored arteries for

replacement surgery. But an

even more important facet is the ability of the new vessel to grow.

A difficulty with transplants is in establishing a stable connection between the prosthesis and the tissue of the patient.

That is common to both artificial material and donated ones. A

living material, and one already tissue-matched to the recipient,

could make a perfect connection, such as any wound healing.

A report of the new vessels in the journal Science includes

identical electron micrographs, showing how smooth muscle fibres and endothelial cells are embedded in the collagen strands in normal and artificial

Science: Valume 231, pp 397-400, 1986

conditions.

also present. The company was presented with the gift of a silver loving cup by Mr Anthony Stevens.

Butchers' Company The Master of the Butchers' Company, Mr David L. Franks, presided at a court luncheon held at Butchers' Hall yesterday. Mr Douglas J. Noakes and Mr Clifford Wilsoo also spoke.

### Dinners

**Finance Houses Association** The twenty-fourth annual din-ner of the Finance Houses Association was held at the Savoy Hotel, London, on Wednesday, April 2, 1986. The chairman of the association, Mr lan Miller, welcomed the Direc-tor-General of Fair Trading, Sir Gordon Borrie, QC, as the principal guest and speaker. The Secretary of the Cabinet, Sir Robert Armstrong, responded to a toast to the guests, proposed

Appointments Latest appointments include:

Mr Mannel Esquivel, Prime Minister of Belize, and Mr Herbert Augustus Blaize, Prime Minister of Grenada, to be members of the Privy Council.

Births, Marriages, Deaths and In Memoriam

### Luncheons

The Prime Warden of the Blacksmiths' Company, Wing Commander V.S.W. Smyth, presided at a court luncheon held at Innholders' Hall yesterday for members of the court terday for members of the court. Mr P.N.G. Rayner, Renter Warden, Mr A.W. Pennington, Third Warden, and Mr F.A. Commanderic de Bordeaux Jackman, Fourth Warden, were

## SIR PETER PEARS

Celebrated tenor of Britten operas

Sir Peter Pears, CBE, the singer and one of the founders of the Aldeburgh Festival, died suddenly yesterday at The Red House, the home in Aldeburgh he shared for three decades with Benjamin Brit-ten. He was 75. Pears's tenor voice was mique. Opinions may have been divided about the quality of the sound but there can be no disputing his prodigious technical accomplis He never ceased to study. At

completely revised his tech-nique and emerged a finer singer than ever. Pears was born in Farnham

on June 22, 1910, the son of Arthur and Jessie Pears. He its arrangement into snitable was educated at Lancing College and, in 1928, spent a year as a temporary organist of Hertford College, Oxford, followed by four years as Director of Music at Grange School, Crowborough. From there he won a scholarship to the Royal College of Music where he spent two terms in 1933-34. He gained his early experi-

ence as a professional singer with the BBC Singers, the New English Singers, and in the chorus at Glyndebourne. In the years immediately before the Second World War he was already emerging as one of the most gifted young soloists in the country.
In 1939 Pears began to give

recitals with Benjamin Britten, initiating a musical partnership which continued until Britten's death in 1976. Their performance of the Schubert song-cycles in particular be-came celebrated throughout Western Europe as well as in America and Russia.

But the relationship proved productive far beyond the bounds of a professional duo. Britten, inspired by Pears's superb musicianship and the deep understanding that existed between them, composed many of his finest works for their recitals.

Pears's singing of them will always remain, for those who heard him, the definitive performance. He was associated with the first performance of most of Britten's other works for concert and stage and often collaborated with the composer in the choice of poetry and

The engagement is announce between Arthur, elder son of Mr and Mrs G.B. Wylie, and Eliza-

beth, second daughter of Mr and Mrs P.J. Cocks, both of Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire. by Mr Norman Fosh. Among

those present were:

Air Council an appreciation of the chief operalarger safe parties, hard his services in the relief operations.

The Commanderie de Bordeaux

those present were:
M and Mme de Lambert, M
Garde, M and Mme Vigier, M
and Mme Janoueix, Mme Marc.

Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland The annual dinner of the Association of Surgeons of Great Britain and Ireland took place last night in the Porter Tun Room at the Whithread Brew ery. Mr Adrian Marston pre-sided and among those present were the Spanish Ambassador, Sir Peter Parker and Professor B. Narbona, President of the Spanish Association of

Survey, to be director of establishment and finance for the OS; Mr David Toft, aged 41, head of production, to be responsible for marketing, sales and publicity.

Mr R.J. Pickett and Miss A.C. Roscoe

The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of the late Mr P.A. Pickett and Mrs P.R. Pickett, of Chandlers Ford, Hampshire, and Andrea, only daughter of the late Mr E.F. Roscoe and Mrs R.W.G. von Suppiny Roscoe, of Vicarage Drive, East Sheen, London. Mr A.C.V. Roberts

and Miss C.M. Shea

The engagement is announced between Alan, son of Dr and Mrs John Roberts, of Whites Hill, Stock, Essex, and Caroline, daughter of Mrs Julia Shea, of Kent.

and Miss M.J. Cutajar

The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of the late Mr E.L. (Jock) Sinclair and of Mrs E.L. Sinclair, of The Croft, Sutton Courtenay, Oxfordshire, and Maria Jose, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J.P. Cutajar, of The engagement is announced between Neil, younger son of Mrand Mrs J.H.N. Hobday, of Rosebank, St Andrews, Malta. The marriage will take place in Malta in July. Clune House, Newtonmore, Inverness-shire, and Tamzin, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.B. Walker, of Cragston, Stewarton, Ayrshire.

and Miss M.V. Donati

Mr H.N.P. Wadlow

and Miss M.V. Donati
The engagement is announced between Nigel, only soo of Mrs Pamela Jennens, of Hove, Sussex, and the late Mr Philip Wadlow, and stepson of Mrs Hilary Wadlow, OBE, of Streatley, Berkshire, and Merry, younger daughter of the late Mr Edward Donati and Mrs Suzette Donati, of Minehead, Somerset.

Dr N.J. Wilson-Holt and Dr M.V. Daniels

The engagement is announced between Nicholas John Wilson-Holt, elder son of Mrs P. Fleck, of Winchmore Hill, London, and the late Mr L. Wilson, and Mary Victoria, only daughter of Dr and Mrs M.H. Daniels, of Queens House, Crick. Northamptonshire.

Mr A.H. Wylie and Miss E. Cocks

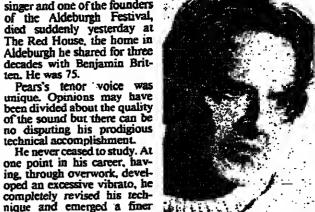
the RAF's first long-range bomber forces.
Commissioned in December, 1925, he was a flight lieutenant in India at the time 1935, and received from the

Bardes, Sar Joseph S. Krauseth Bundes Professor A Disamond, Lord Drumalbyn, Sir Monty Pinniston, Mr Bryan Gould, MP, Professor A G Gurest, Sir Brian, Haves, the Earl of ideasingth, Sir Brian Kellett, Sir James Littler, Professor J K MocLood, the Hon T J Manners, Sir Ian Morrow, Sir Peter Parker, Major-General F J Plaskett, Sir Idval Pugh, Sir John Read, Mr Gary Waller, MP, and Sir Majcolin Wilcox.

gave a dinner last night at Merchants' Hall, Bristol, by permission of the Master, in honour of the Hospitaliers de Pomerol. The maitre of the commanderie. Mr Charles Clarke, presided, and among

M Querre, M and Mme Raynaud and M Lemelletier.

Mr Keith Nolan, aged 55, head of marketing for the Ordnance



Peter Pears as Peter Grimes in 1973.

ing a notable Cosi fan tutte and the first performance of Britten's Peter Grimes in 1945.

Later he was a memorable Garden. He was, too, an inspired Evangelist in the Passions of Bach and Schutz. In 1948, together with Brit-

ten and Eric Crozier, he was co-founder of the Aldeburgh Festival. This, and the English Opera Group, which developed from the festival, became a focal point for his artistic life.

He always took a leading part in the festival's direction and the programmes gained much not only from the orginality of his musical ideas but also from his profound knowledge of literature and painting.

He showed an especial interest in English songs of all periods and was extremely kind to young composers, many of whom had works commissioned and performed by him at the Aldeburgh Festival and elsewhere. He took immense care over sometimes inconsiderable, even unsympathetic, new works or roles so that they should be equal. given the best possible first hearing.

### Somehow, too, in spite of an appallingly heavy schedule during the festival, he managed to be a generous and delightful host to visiting artists. The universities of York. Sussex, Cambridge and Edinburgh conferred honorary degrees upon him.

When Britten became sen-ously ill, at the beginning to the 1970s, Pears started to give recitals with other accompanists, notably the harpist Osian Ellis and the pianist Murray Perahia, and these associations continued after

Britten's death.

So, too, did Pears's connection with the Aldeburgh Festival, as director and as performer both his 70th and 75th birthdays were marked by days of celebrations. He suffered a stroke in his sevenforms for musical setting.

Between the years 1943 and 1945 he was a member of the Sadler's Wells Opera Compa-

his artistry remained.
From the mid-1970s on-

Tamino in The Magic Flute and a fine Captain Vere in Billy Budd, both at Covent projects at Aldeburgh, net ingly gave his attention to projects at Aldeburgh, not only the festival but also the Britten/Pears Library, established to house manuscripts. documents and printed material relating to Britten, and the Britten/Pears School, offering courses in various practical and musicological subjects to advanced students.

Here, in master classes, he had the opportunity to pass of the fruits of his long experience, particularly in the songs of Schubert and Britten.

Pears's voice has been de-scribed as clear, reedy, almost instrumental in quality and capable of a wide variety of expression, if not colour. It had an inward reflective tim-

bre, tinged with poetry.

Technique was always made to serve his fine musical intelligence and sensibility. Very few musical styles were outside his grasp and his care and understanding of the texts that he sang informed all his performances with a commitment that few others could He was made CBE in 1957.

and knighted in 1978.

ministration at HQ Bomber

1962-63 he was Air Aide de-

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### SIR WALTER MERTON June, 1940, took command of 'Air Officer in charge of Ad-Air Chief Marshal Sir Wal-

ter Merton, GBE, KCB, who has died aged 80, commanded No 37 (Bomber) Squadron which, in November of that year, he led on long-range at the outbreak of the Second bombing missions to Egypt. World War No 37 (Bomber) The following year he was appointed Senior Air Staff Officer, No 257 Wing, which operated Wellingtons in the Squadron, flying Wellingtons, and led it to the desert campaigns in Egypt as one of

Greek, Syrian and Iraq

campaigns. He was Station Commander at Luqa, Malta, in 1943 when it was the main RAF base for of the Quetta earthquake in the invasion of Sicily, and was Air Council an appreciation of thrice mentioned in despatch-

From 1954 to 1956 he was

Command. Promoted to Air Marshal in 1959, he spent a year as Chief of Staff, Allied Air Forces, in Europe, becoming an Air Chief Marshal in 1961. From

Camp to the Queen.

Merton retired from the RAF in 1963 and the following year became Inspector General of Civil Defence, a post which he held until 1968. and GBE in 1963. Greece awarded him the Gold Cross

He was made KCB in 1959 At the outbreak of war Chief of Staff, Royal New Royal Order of George I, in Merton was serving at HQ Zealand Air Force, and spent 1941, and the Order of the Bomber Command, and in the following three years as Phoenix, Class I, in 1963.

### MR JOHN PINNEY Mr John Pinney, who has with sympathy for African transferred to Nairobi and was

the Kikuyu or damaging pros-

died after a short illness, aspirations - were precisely the put in charge of the adminis-devoted his life to the Colonial qualities needed for defeating trative and ceremonial details

Service in Kenya. The youngest son of Gener-al Sir Reginald Pinney, he was born in 1920, educated at Winchester and Christ Church and commissioned into the

Army in 1941. However, he was immediately drafted into the Colonial Service in Kenya. Pinney soon made his mark as a self-reliant district officer. During the Man Man rebeltion, his courage, effiency and leadership - always tempered

dence. For much of the emergency he was district commissioner at Fort Hall in the heart of Kikuyu country. As independence approached. Pinney became provincial commissioner in

Mau Mau without humiliating of full independence, a task which he discharged to the high satisfaction of often con-flicting interests. pects for eventual indepen-Pinney returned to his native Dorset where he applied

his administrative and intel-lectual gifts to the county education service, inevitably spreading his wings in many Mombasa and organized the smooth transition of Coastal other spheres, including, in Province from protectorate to due course, chairmanship of national rule. In 1963, he was the local bench.

### MR HARRY WILSON, GC

Harry Wilson, GC, who died on March 26, at Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, aged but one who had been working owing to the pressure of water behind it and they prepared to go back. 83, was awarded the Edward Medal (translated to the George Cross in 1971) for his part in the rescue of a trapped miner from a flooding mine. His action on March 10, 1924, was when an inrush of water took place at

Harriseahead Colliery, Staf-fordshire. Most of the work-men had already left the mine,

called for volunteers.

foot-rail. The rescue party culty, and all three were reached a ventilation door eventually drawn to the which they dared not open surface.

The manager was told that it was impossible to rescue him, the bottom of the pit lowed them, insisted that the being three-parts full of water man could not he left, so he which was still rising. But he and Wilson forced the ventilation door, allowing the water Harry Wilson was one of to escape gradually. They then five men who responded and waded to the trapped man, descended into the mine by a reaching him with great diffi-

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artery.

BAKER - On 25th March to Maureen ince Harding) and Christopher, a daughter Anne-Marie, a sister for

CUSSINS On 30th March to Julia, Inée Whitey) and Andrew, a son, Harry

Stephen.

REVES On April 2nd in Sheffleid to
Kale inde Wakefleid) and keith, a son
lan Sinari.

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Thomas's Mornial to hand ince

BAKER To Karen and Andrew on 29th March, a son, Benjamin Oliver, a brother for Kate. a brother for Kate.

BULMER: On 2nd April 1986 at Watlingford Community Hospital to
Angeta unce Gurney and Niget, a
daughter Joanna Henrietta Maryi, a
sister for George.

COOK On March 29th 1996 in Sydney. Australia. to Gillian unce
Shaddorthi and Peter, a boy. Timothy John.

FORESTER TO Derryn and Geoffrey, a son Simon, born al Mount Alvernia. Guiddord, on 1st April. A brother for Gayle. Tama and Vida.

GALLOWAY On April 3rd all G M.H., Rochampton, lo Elaine mee Robinsoni and Arctite, a daughter Thalia Jane, a sister for Portia and Joe.

JACKMAN On April 1st 1986 at St Peter's Hospital. Cherisey, lo Kale mée Hughest and Jeremy, a son, lan Jeremy Greenwood, a brother for Stephen.

Thomas's Hospital to Ivana tines Sertic) and Charles. a daughter. Alexandra. ROO on 20th March 1986, at Queen Charlotles Hospital, to Margarel Inee Ngi and Sui-Kem, a daughter. Nicola Jane HANDON on March 29th at St Peler's Hospital. Chertsey, to Lorratine inee McLachian; and Michael, a son. James Michael.

BIRTHS

LICHTBODY On 28th March 1986 in Liverpool, in Charlotte Ince Pymi and Ian. a son. Thomas Hugh. MABEY on April 3rd, to Carolyn and Simon, a son (Richard). Simon, a son (Richard).

MILLS On 1st April 1986 to Shella
unee While) and Richard, a son. March 21st at home in Wimbledon, to Angela thee Bassi and Paul. a daughter Louie Catherine Swinburne, a sister for Tabilha.

NEWMAN - On March 27th to Peter and Kate (Nee Lilburn) a daughter. Harriet Joan NEWTON To Joanna infe Hastings Trew) and Nigel, on 28th March 1986, a son. William Peter. a brother for Catherine. PAPE To Kate Inee Harel and John on 31st of March, a son, Theodore Mai-thew, a brother, for Joshua. ROBERTSON to Karen and Brian, on Wednesday 2nd April. a son Rory Scott.

SAWERS on March 24th, at BMH Murster, to Clare thee Richardsont and lan, a son Robert James Orr.

SMETH On Easter Sunday at Yeo'tl District Hospital to Nick and Lavinia thee MACARTHUR), a son, Archie. SORRELL On 23 March 1986 to Andrea thee Smith and Robin, a daughter Llessica Clare (follotti, a sister for Laura. STRONG On 2nd of April at the Bu-chanan Hospital St. Leonards, to Catherine mee Earland) and Robin, a son. Jeremy Luke, a brother for Julian.

WISAN on 26th March to Patrizia and

DEATHS ARTHUR On March 31. Cyril Stuart, in his 80th year, beloved husband of Cicely and much loved father and grandfather, passed away at home. Service at West Malling Church at 12.15pm on April 8. Family flowers only please, but donations if desired to Professor Clark's Research Fund at U.M.O.S.. Guys Hospital, London SE1

SET ASHTON Dh April 3rd in hospital after a short illness the Reverend Prebendary Thomas Richard i Dickl. aged 63. beloved husband of Eleanor and lather of Paul and Rachel. Funeral at St John's Church, St John's Road, bleworth, on Friday 11th April at 2.15 pm. Family flowers only please, but if desired, donations in his memory to C.M.S. ry to C.M.S.

BENJAMBN - Donald William, legal executive, peacefulty at home at
Hawkwell. Essex, 29th March. Service al Southend-on-Sea
Crematorium 12.30, 7th April. Flowers to Adams. High Street. Rayleigh.
BLASEBY - Peacefulty at home in Abbey Wood on Maundy Thursday.
March 27th. Cecil Albert. aged 82.
Beloved husband of Phyllis. father of
Jenny and Peter and much loved
grandfather of Juliette. Giles. Matthew and David.

BRINSMEAD On April 2nd, suddenty thew and David.

BRINSMEAD On April 2nd, suddenty at home. 19 St George's Avenue, Hornchurch. Joan Ida (née Heath Robinson) befor ed wife of Denis, Funeral Service at St Andrew's Church. Hornchurch, Wednesday April 9th at 11 am. Jollowed by Cremation. No flowers please, but if desired donations to Church Missionary Society.

CLOUGH On 2nd of April after a short illness, aged 84 years. Philip Henry, dearly loved brother of Hester and uncle of Alan and Peter and greatnephews and neices. Funeral service will take place at Salisbury Crematorium on Thursday 10 April at 12.45. No letters or flowers by request. De La RIVIERE R.N.V.R. Lewis Dibdin

De La RIVIERE R.N. V.R. Lewis Dibdin aged 76 years on 1st April 1986 after a tong illness, born with greal fortitude all The Eversleigh Nursing Home. Learnington Spa. Adored hosband of Margaret and most dear father of Edmund. Sue and Anila, and darling grandpa of Judith. William, Kaile, David. Richard and Chariotte. Late of Lennox House School, Moseley. Birmingham. Funeral Service to be held on Thursday 10th April al St Agnes Church, Moseley at 2pm. and afterwards at Learnington Spa Cemetary. Family Ilowers only, but donations may be sent in lieu of flowers to The Chest. Heart and Stroke Association, c/o Mrs. Anita R. Coon. The Old Vicarage, Cockermouth, Cumbria. "I know that my Redeemer lives". that my Redeemer lives".

DHARAMPAL (nee Ford) Phyllis Ellen, betoved wife of Oharampal, mother of David. Gila. and Roswitha. sister of Frances and grandmother of Johann and Mira with relatives in England and India, peacefully in her sleep on March 29th after a long thness. Funeral on Monday. 7th April at 11.40am in Golders Green Crematurium.

FEMBER on April 2nd 1986, Barbera Murray, beloved sister of Rags Terrell, both of Cadogan Square SW1. Service on Tuesday April Bib at 130 pm at Putney Vale Crematori-um. No flowers, but donations if desired to Oxfam, RIP.

FOX-MALE - Dennis Humbert, on 1st April 1986, suddenly at his home in Alderney, Channel Islands, dear hus-band of Angela, much loved Zather and grandfather. Fumeral Service at St. Anne's Church, Alderney, at 11 am. Saturday Sth April. No flowers, but donations if desired, to R.A.F. Be-nevotent Fund. c/o National Westminster Bank, Alderney, G.L. GOUGH - On April 2nd, peacefully at her home, Mourne Park, Kilkeel, Co., Downs, N. Ireland, after a bravely borne illness, Lady Hyacinth Gough, dearly beloved wife of John Gough and much loved mother of Jane. Rosaleen and Caroline, Funeral ser-vice on April 56t at 11.30 am. Christ Church, Kilkeel.

BLASC-THOMAS - Petal (nee Maconochie) suddenly at home, in Hartley Wintney, on 1st April: be-loved mother of Ruperi, sister of Mary, James and Nall, Fumeral ot Al-dershot Park Crematorium. Toesday 8th April. 11.30 am. Flowers may be sent in E. Finch & Sons Ltd. 123 High Streel. Aldershot.

KINGLUND - On 1st of April, sudden-ty, Carl-Ake. Cremation 11.50 am Golders Green. Saturday 5th April.

LYONS On 31st March 1986, at home Waspenbury Hall near Learnington Spa. Orvia, aged 84 years, wife of the late Sir William Lyons. Funeral service at St John the Baptist Church. Waspenshury, on Monday 7th April at 10.30 am, followed by private cremation. Flowers may be sent to H J Dawson Funeral Otrectors Ltd. 22 George Street. Learnington Spa. Contage. Eathorpe. Learnington Spa. Cottage. Eathorpe. Learnington Spa.

MILLEISON - on March 30th 1986, peacefully in Nantus Hospital Madeion, in her 88th year, widow of Lanceiot Vertor Maltinson, much foved mother, Grandmother and great grandmother, Cremation has taken place in France.

NOLDA On March 29th 1986. Joan Mary, beloved wife of the late Colonel Clinton Noida, much loved mother of Rosemary and Charles and a devoted grandmother. Funeral at Walford Church. Rose-on-Wye. Herefordshire, at 2.15pm on Monday April 7th followed by private cremation, Family flowers only, but if desired donations to the Spencer-Bourne Lukaemia Fund, c/o of Dr J Kramer, at Hereford County Hospital. Enquiries to A H Caldrott & Sons. Tenhucy Wells, fel 0864

ROWNTREE on March 25th suddenly on holiday. Raiph Kenway. of Levisham, North Yorkshire. Service at the Friends Meeting House, Scar-borough, 12 noon. Friday 4th April.

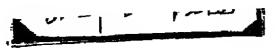
WALMER On 1st April, Elemnor Wolker of Teazles, Great Minemben, aged 78. Much loved aister, aunt and friend. Service at American crespanorium, 22 poop Wednesday 907. dr April, Family Rowers only, but donations it desired to the Vicar Great Minemben Church, Bucks.
WE.KOMSON the Linneth penchrish at West Park Hospital, Epoom on 31st March 1986, Irene Mary, aged 95, Last surviving grandaughter of artist John Linnell, Dearly loved mother of Hazel and Barbara, grandamother of Indianation and Great grandamother of Ingenian, 206, Milo, Bentamin and Sen. Puneral private, WELLARS On March 30th Sedro.

Ldr. Mertyn (Tubby) Williams MBE. R.A.F. Grettedl, after a short fitness. Funeral Service at Weston Mill Crenatorium on Tuesday April Sth at 11.30am, Enquiries to Earl in Prysnouth Tel: 0782 562824.

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MEMORIAL SERVICES

REYNOLDS - Harry: Memorial service at St. John's Methodist Church. Woodside Food, Amerikana, Budiston Sunday: 20th April at 12.45 pm. WOODWARD On March 19th 1986. Alan Ceoffrey Harrison: of Blandford, aged 70 years: belowing if the late Diama, son of the late William Edward Woodward. Engineer of Cambridge University and grandson of William Harrison Woodward. Professor of Education at Liverpool. Memorial service will be held at St. Power's and St. Paul's Church. Blandford, Dorsel, on Thursday 24th April at 2.50 pm.



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### Heroic rhetoric

first hero of broadcasting jour-Applism. Marrow (Channel 4), film biography directed by Jack Gold and co-produced by Britain's TVS, did much more than merely burnish the myth. Murros's place in media history was earned by a pro-gramme in his See It Now series in which he attacked the McCarthy, Murrow's rhetoric and the programme's investi-gation are credited with breaking McCarthy's grip on the public imagination of America

Last night's film was also an examination of many of the issues and pressures which have shaped journalism since the days when clay tablet was the primary news medium.
Within the first half hour, Murrow, as CBS's radio corredent in wartime London. had stated his position on objectivity and begun diplo-matic negotiations to subvert trash news values.

As the story of the confrontation with McCarthy developed it became clear that the major battle was not so much with the witch-hunting mood of the country as with the ratings-hunting mood of CBS's directors, shareholders and sponsors. The screenplay, credits include Roots, lost no opportunity to include the jingles and commercials of the era to make the point that Revion and an aluminium network's top shows.

"There is a difference be-tween the public interest and what the public is interested in," Marrow announced in one of the many heated argun with the CBS chairman Wildiam Paley and president Frank Stanton - who was cast in the role of an unprincipled ratings-hunter. At the end of -tire story See It Now had been knocked out of the ratings by The \$64,000 Question, and Murrow died, shortly after seaving the network, of lung

It was a slow production made in the wordy, teak-veneered style characteristic of America's Home Box Office channel. Nevertheless, the Wall Street Journal observed that a programme with this much content could not be made by a major network in

Theatre

# Cold-blooded immorality

Il Candelaio The Pit

As an introduction to the work of Giordano Bruno, philosopher, poet and incorrigible intellectual, whose big mouth led him to the stake in 1600, this production comes as an emberrassment.

Whenever, during the past 400 years, the process of free thought and inquiry has been stifled by authority and its exponents have been put to silence, Bruno has been burnt again. As a patron saint of intellectual rebellion his munorsaint of intersectinal rebellion his mimor-tality is guaranteed; and, in reviving his one and only play, the RSC are naturally anxious to find morally appropriate qualities in it. Sure enough, the proramme discerns in it a "frantic detestation of hypocrisy and quackery . . . and the beginning of his formulation of a new ethic and a new philosophy".

These are heavy claims to load oo a sharp little Italian comedy on the old themes of lust and greed, but, even without them Il Candelaio comes across as a cruel and cold-blooded piece of work with even less moral centre than Machiavelli's Mandragola.

The comedy turns on the antics of two fools, each in the grip of an obsession.

Bonifacio, the eponymous candle-maker, lusts after a costly courtesan.

Bartolomeo, a merchant, justs after wealth. Both neglect their wives in pursuit of these new desires; and, Naples being Naples, there are people around to offer prompt gratification while taking them for an expensive ride. Bartolomeo falls into the clutch of the alchemists while Bonifacio enlists a magician to get him into Vittoria's bed. As she is for sale anyway, it is hard to see why he does not simply pay her the going rate, instead of embarking on a pricey ritual with a wax model and a rigmarole of Latin spells he is clearly unable to pronounce.

To complete the list of victims, there is the pedant Manfurio, whose only offence is that he fancies himself as a Latinist. He is the old commedia figure, trundled oo simply on the assumption that theatre audiences will laugh at a character more learned than they are. It is the last joke you would expect from an intellectual with a large last has some about and such as Bruno, but he goes ahead and makes it - depending on the idea that, if we do not understand what a character is saying, that proves he is talking rubbish; and finally having poor Manfurio's trousers hauled down for a spanking. This scene, I am glad to say, was greeted with stooy silence on Wednesday.

It is also good to report that Ian Talbot, despite the odds, succeeds in building this hapless figure into by far the most sympathetic character in the piece: radiating innocent pleasure when anybody pays him a compliment, trusting towards everyooe he meets, and candidly explaining that he failed to pursue a content could not be pickpocket because it was beneath his by a major network in dignity as a doctor to shour "Stop, thief". It is a performance that takes you back to the good old days of Mr Talbot's Mr Toad.



David Bradley (left) and Bruce Alexander as Bartolomee and Bonifacio: an unlovely central couple steering an energetic course from desire to hamiliation

As for the central intrigues, Bonifacio is persuaded to go into disguise for a bedtrick encounter with his wife, and Bartolomeo into considerable outlay oo alchemical projections that go op in smoke. Bruno, of course, was writing at a time before modern science had detached itself from magic and alchemy; but, as for comic point, there is oo way of telling whether he is out to expose them as fraudulent or simply invoke them as a means of punishing the two cheating

Clifford Williams's and Paul Marcus's production takes place in a street surmounted with Bruno's slogan "Joyful in grief; in gaiety sad". With the exception of a wistful soliloguy from the fading Vittoria (Mel Martin), this finds

comedy depends largely on the anachronistic swoops from erudition to aitch-dropping in Frank Dotterell's and Mia Dickson's translation.

There are a few hints of Bruno the dangerous thinker, as where the rogue Sanguino (Anthony O'Donnell) points out that Christ steered well clear of lunatics. Bruce Alexander and David Bradley, as the unlovely central couple, steer an energetic course from desire to hamiliation. They are marginally more appealing that Brumo's hero, a crafty painter (Donald Sumpter) who pulls off a successful adultery and lectures us on how to do it.

Irving Wardle

certo can be detected by its echoes or, quite suddenly, heard in all its immediacy. It

### Cinema

### Tawdry fate for a good novel

Absolute Beginners (15) Leicester Square Theatre: Odeon Marble Arch

"Hollywood Bubbly" season National Film Theatre

Absolute Beginners film, not the book — is what it is; and it is hard to see why anyone should have thought it necessary to disturb a good novel for the purpose. The objective was a musical vaguely set in the late Fifties, a period which is oow remote enough to acquire glamour and has the extra charm of having witnessed the creation of teenage as both myth and market factor. In a scatterbrained rationale (in a Corgi paperback about the film) the director Julien Temple writes: "I simply wanted to coojure up the experience I remember, the first time I took speed in the city... I hope the film can serve as a challenge for kids today to do something as powerful as their parents".

In this enigmatic design Colin MacInnes's govel is just another artefact of the period, alongside the old television sets, refrigerators, cars and oews headlines. It provides oo more than the title, the setting, names and broad hints for the characters. The theme of Londoo's incipient race war is still present, but 28 years on the trio of writers employed on the script interpret it differently. For MacInnes the Notting Hill riots of the summer of 1958 signalled some inexplicable, malignant social sickness. The film more comfortably and fashionably attributes them to the machinations of property developers and National Froot agitators, and exorcises it all in song, dance and melodrama.

plines: it must be self-cootained within the time-span of a musical oumber; it must be images, camera angles, zoom-shots and cutting that instantly excite the senses. Plagiarism is favoured, with no film more sets from Fire in the Streets.



than actually forwarding it in the ordinary sense of musical oumbers. The cursory narrative that links them has the dramatic texture of Hollywood musical "featurettes" of the Fornes. It is indeed doubtful whether audiences unacquainted with the oovel will have any notico what is going on, or what all these characters, mostly oow reduced to walk-oo roles, signify. This may not actually matter, of course, to spectators already cooditioned to the fragmentation and limited demands oo concentratioo characteristic of

the pop promo.

MacInoes's 19-year-old first-person hero is convincingly impersonated by Eddie O'Connell, who has an autheotic Fifties look. A vulpioe middle-aged David Bowie plays a villainous promoter.
Alongside the inanimate period artefacts are the buman souvenirs. Lionel Blair appears as a paedophile pop promoter of the Little Laurie London era; Alan Freeman, a Fifties diso-jockey, plays an Australian televisioo hustler; Mandy Rice-Davies, supporting player in the Profumo drama, has now matured enough to be the hero's Ma; Jess Conrad and Sylvia Syms are names in the crowd. The most authentic touch of the Fifties is provided by the memorable street photographs

Io essence the film is a succession of video pop promos, a field of activity in which Julien Temple is inter
Hollywood, which was at that the other still mystifies virtuoso. The video promo business of presenting a dis-has its own style and disci-torting mirror to reflect the image which American society

most wished to see.
Cecil B. DeMille was the extravagant and hectic, with first film-maker to respond to the craving for illusions of sophistication, and thrilled the public with a series of films that showed the manners is favoured, with no him more pillaged for the purpose than and morals of a mythical high society. Champagne-corks ple borrows, inter alia, the giant typewriter from James Ivory's Bombay Talkie, fight choreographies from West Side Story and lurid studies was bobbed, women smoked, wives and husbands strayed; but finally sophistication was Side Story and lurid studies only skin-deep. It was characteristic of the social comedies teristic of the social comedies

As pop promos the episodes of the period that in the end are individually energetic at the old standards were reasleast, though they lack any unifying style. They are suggested by the action rather always dooe.

The seminal films for the golden era of Twenties social comedy were Chaplio's A Woman of Paris (1923) and Ernst Lubitsch's The Marriage Circle (1924). Chaplin introduced a style of social comedy that lay more in ounces of expression and gesture than io the plot or the wit of the prioted subtitles. Lubitsch brought a "con-tinental" subtlety and maturi-ty which was to distinguish the comedy production of Paramount Studios for more than two decades.

Throughout April the National Film Theatre is showing a selection of 25 rarely-seen works from this period. A Woman of Paris bequeathed a school as well as a style. Each of Chaplin's four young assistants oo the film - Edward A. Sutherland, Monta Bell and two Frenchmen, Henri d'Abbadie d'Arrast and Jean de Limur - became directors of comedy in their own right, and generally in the Chaplin manner.

Monta Bell was the most prolific of the group, and the seasoo includes five of the score of films he made io the Twenties. Even when stuck with novelette plots, his technical virtuosity and direction of actors is admirable. Lady of the Night, for instance, dignifies an idiotic tale of love and sacrifice with Norma Shearer's most accomplished of Roger Mayne. Sacrifice with Norma successful accomplished period which has gained an playing in a dual role as two momen from coorrasted social

> Aside from their social curiosity and evocation of the visual style of the period, these films provide a chance to see and evaluate some of the great Hollywood legends: Clara Bow (encountering the real-life Elinor Glyn in It), Gloria Swanson (revealed as a brilliant comedienne in Manhandied), Jeanne Eagels, Pola Negri, Louise Brooks, Bessie Love, Marioo Davies. None of them has faded, oone disappoints: the quality that made them legends is durable.

**David Robinson** 

### Returning to the strength and severity of old

LS/Lutoslawski Elizabeth Hall/ Radio 3

Three years ago Lutoslawski wrote a piece for the Londoo Sinfooietta, and chose a title that promised more to come: Chain 1. The second link was added oo Wednesday at a lively concert within the Mu--sic of Eight Decades series, and proved rather longer (at · 17 minutes), more fully scored and more substantial than its nredecessor.

-Apparently this is all part of othe plan. Lutoslawski does not deonceive his "chain" as being of similar or even of linked works; and, to those who like titles to mean something, he offers the thought that these pieces (and, I would guess, others, like the Third Sym-

phooy) make use of chains of ootes in a kind of serial practice. The evidence grows weightier of Lutoslawski in his seventies returning to the severity and strength of the music of his forties.

"dialogue for violin and orchestra", and is effectively a chamber concerto with solo violin, or rather it is a fluid scientioo of scenes from a possible violio concerto. There are four movements, of which the first and third are largely independent of regular metre (they are marked "ad libitum", and are oot conducted) while the second and fourth, marked "a battuta", are correspondingly more dy-namic. The four might be characterized as introduction. allegro scherzando, slow movement and finale, and certainly such a programme is

one element io Lutoslawski's The second movement, for formal thinking. However, the instance, seems to be flitting piece is also larger and smaller than this. The movements are interconnected (the last very clearly remembers each of the previous three), and at the same time they lack — indeed, are very elegantly made to lack — the definition a multi-Chain 2 has the subtitle movement scheme might seem to suppose.

> There is something nocturnally mysterious about Lutoslawski's processes here. (The work that Chain 2 most called to mind for me was Britten's

> Midsummer Night's Dream, by virtue of its winding slow string glissandos, its tuned percussion and its ostinatos.)

LPO/Eschenbach Festival Hall

A late change of conductor (Christoph Eschenbach replacing Jesús López-Cobos) deprived Richard Strauss fans of their expected double dollop of the master, or perhaps the orchestra felt that there has already been enough Tod und Verklärung on the South

is, moreover, a work of beautible versions of itself, someful sound-images, such as the start of the third movement, times with the soloist frenetic in Stravinskian triple stops, sometimes with soloist and orchestra combined in the with a G-string melody for the soloist accompanied by just grand gesture, sometimes with three low cellos, or the two just a wispy selection of the bell-like climaxes from the players involved, as in the wind. Gyorgy Pauk offered a thoughtful and expressive acextraordinary passage where one suddenly finds the very top of the orchestra (violins, count of the solo part, with piccolos, xylophone) has been exchanged for the bottom. responsive playing from the Sinfonietta for the composer.

among several different possi-

The entire work gives the listener the impression of being inside an acoustical maze, where the voice of a conventional romantic con-

Bank this week. Perhaps, too, the Festival Hall's technical crew are suffering from post-GLC blues, or rather greys, because the LPO seemed to be struggling to play in quite murky light in Berlioz's

Benvenuto Cellini Overture. The power was, however, fully on for Prokofiev's Third Piano Coocerto, which was just as well because the players needed every available aid in

their pursuit of Ivo Pogorelich's pounding attack on this (usually) lyrical work. I do oot know whether Pogorelich has read that celebrated American newspaper report of Prokofiev's own piano-playing ("fingers like steel, wrists like steel, biceps like steel...") but he certainly sped through the first move ment in a relentless, tough-toned manner that left the orchestra grasping at the andante theme's reprise like drowning men at a piece of

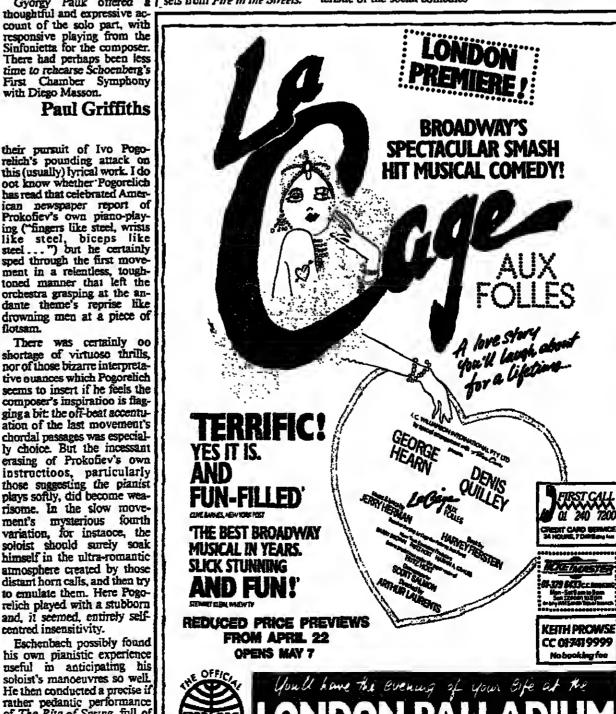
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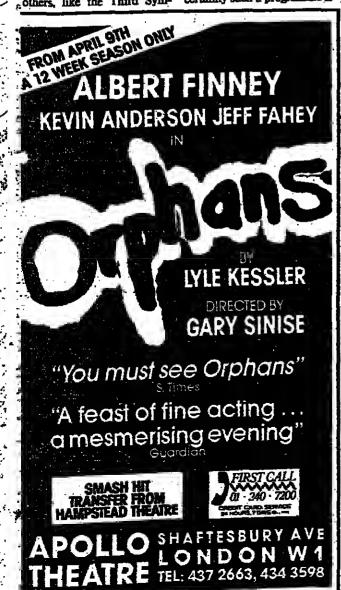
with Diego Masson.

There was certainly oo shortage of virtuoso thrills. nor of those bizarre interpretative ouances which Pogorelich seems to insert if he feels the composer's inspiration is flagging a bit the off-beat accentuation of the last movement's chordal passages was especially choice. But the incessant erasing of Prokofiev's own instructioos, particularly those suggesting the pianist plays softly, did become wearisome. In the slow movement's mysterious fourth variation, for instance, the soloist should surely soak himself in the ultra-romantic atmosphere created by those distant horn calls, and then try to emulate them. Here Pogorelich played with a stubborn and, it seemed, entirely selfcentred insensitivity.

Eschenbach possibly found his own pianistic experience useful in anticipating his soloist's manoeuvres so well. He then conducted a precise if rather pedantic performance of The Rite of Spring, full of painstakingly delineated de-tail but rarely generating sufficent voltage.

Richard Morrison







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# by £259 cut in Atlantic fares

with price cuts of over £250 between Britain and Canada proposed by Canada's

Wardair charter airline. Wardair, the biggest UK-Canada carrier with nearly a third of the £150 million-ayear market, is proposing to start a new scheduled service on May | with a business-class fare of £345 one-way from Gatwick to Toronto or Mon-treal compared with £604 by

They also plan an economy return to match charter rates at about £300 compared with over £600 by other scheduled

The move springs from the new competitive environment encouraged by Canada's Conservative government. But it is expected to be strongly opposed by BA and the British Government who, while interested in competition on air routes, also want the best possible sale price for BA.
According to Mr Brian

British Airways is facing a BA to the proposed Wardair new threat on the Atlantic rates will almost certainly result in immediate withdraw al of Wardair's new liceoce to operate as a scheduled carrier.

But if that happens, he said at a London press conference, they will continue with the same service as a charter airline to which those restrictions do not apply. The only need to book in advance and huy a round-trip ticket.

"The bilateral rules come up for renegoliation soon and we think it is time they were changed. They operate simply to protect a fare-fixing cartel against the public interest," Mr Walker said.

To avoid licensing prob-lems, Wardair are describing their new service not as twoclass but as one-class economy on which any passenger who has paid bis £315 one-way fare can buy an extra-large husi-ness-type seat for another £30.

BA said last night that they could not comment before Walker, Wardair's sales and marketing chief objection by proposals.

### **Work-rate slows on Anglo-Irish accord**

From Richard Ford, Dublin

emphasize the symbolic im- agreement. portance of the Anglo-Irish agreement throughout the have been set up to look al testing months of the summer areas such as the administrarather than push for any tion of justice but it is under-dramatic developments in the stood that it will "take time"

With little visible change on the ground in Northern Ireland since the agreement was Unionist demands for the signed almost five months suspension of the agreement ago, it is clear that the pace of work within the framework of the deal with Dublin has been between the meetings of the

Within the Britisb Governmentsome ministers wish to press ahead with developments while others caution against such an approach believing that Unionists should not be further antagonized by the introduc-tion of measures that would be interpreted as a sign of weak-ness by Unionist politicians.

The Irisb Government will seen as flowing from the

A number of committees to produce results.

Although both governments insist that they will not accept to allow talks to begin, there was a gap of nine weeks third and fourth joint ministerial conference and no date has yet been fixed for another,

In Dublin the Government is anxious that the length of time between those meetings should not become too long, believing that that would be interpreted as a sign of weak-

## BA threatened | Firefighters' courage saves Illustrious

The skill and courage of firefighters in the aircraft carrier HMS Illustrious were largely responsible for avert-ing a potential catastrophe yesterday after an explosion started an inferzo deep inside the ship, her captain said.

The incident, as the 20,000ton carrier was steaming at 30 knots away from south-west England, caused no casualties but forced postponement of a nine-month flag-waving voy-age around the world by age around the world by Illustrious and six Royal Navy

Senior officers who began a preliminary inquiry after the carrier limped home to Ports-mouth said the cause of the blast in the forward (starboard) gear-room was not known, but that there was no

evidence of sabotage.

Commander William

Bowiman said the ship was sailing nn full power to tune up two new gas turbine engines when a deafening bang re-sounded through all decks at

As alarms began ringing in the damaged control room, an enormous sheet of flame erupted almost immediately from one of the two funnels

Captain Alan Grose said: "It was immediately apparent to me, standing on the bridge, that we had a major problem. Fortunately our fire attack teams displayed exemplorary skill and courage and prevent-ed what could have been a

Captain Grose said that as soon as the fire had been located, it was doused with bursts of inert halogen gas and water-based fnam. The "standing sea fire parties" then fought their way through narrow passageways nbscured hy smoke near the keel and using thermal imaging equip-ment identified remaining pockets of fire that could have

ignited further explosions.

The blaze was confined to the area of the explosion and extinguished within 90 min-utes. None of the six sea Harrier jets ar twelve helicoptors was damaged. Commander Bowman said there had been no confusion but that it had been difficult at first to pinpoint the hlaze.

"Everybody reacted re-markably quickly, considering that most of them were asleep at the time. Fog and fire are the two great dreads of all



After the fire: Illustrious limping back into Portsmouth harbour yesterday.



Captain Alan Grose: praise for his crew

seamen. It is quite frightening to advance along a darkened corridor in intense heat, towards an extremely fierce fire. " However the conduct of the attack team was absolutely

correct. But for them, the consequences could have been

much more serious. Nobody was in the gearroom, housing a 200-ton gear-box the size of a small house, and to increase British defence when it exploded — but two seamen had a narrow escape.

Chief Petty Officer Martin Smith, aged 33, of Hilsea, west coast of France Portsmouth, and leading Ma- yesterday. rine Engineer Philip Stephens left the room five minutes earlier for a cup of coffee.

Lessons learned in the Falk-land campaign helped to pro-tect the 1,500 crew as dense smoke swirled below decks. All were equipped with breathing apparatus produced since sailed last July.

the South Atlantic battles.

Captain Grose said the in vestigators were looking at whether the explosion had implications for nther navy vessels, or whether it was an olated incident.

The aim of "Global 86", via the Atlantic, Pacific and Indian Ocean, is to participate in sales. The maneouvres were to have begun with an antisubmarine exercise off the

HMS Illustrious, which entered service in June, 1982, is the second of three aircraft carriers of similar design since the late 1970s. The first was the lavincible and the latest Ark Royal, which first



Firefighters: Chief Petty Officer Nick Aldridge (left); Petty Officer Steve Levitt and Warrant Officer Wilkl Feebery.

### Police seek Arab for T

could not rule out that the

explosive had come on board in Cairo. "These weapons are

getting across the line somehow." But, he added, he

did not know how security

checks could be improved

Continued from page 1 in Athens with the Greek police for nine hours, said he day claimed responsibility for Government's permission to co-operate with Greek experts in establishing the facts.

The FBI agents yesterday searched the luggage and car-go, which had been left on the plane untouched. The surviving passengers were being questioned by Greek security

Captain Peterson, who had

been interrogated by Greek an anonymous caller yesterthe bomhing of the TWA jet on behalf of a group believed to have links with Abu Nidal (Our Correspondent writes). The claim was made by a

Waldheim friends

speak out

in defence

people who knew Dr Kurt Waldheim between 1937 and

1945 vesterday spoke out in his defence at a news confer-

ence called by the organizers of his campaign for the Austri-

an presidency. Fellow officers and subord

nates who served with Dr Waldheim in the Balkans backed up his statement that

he was not involved in atroc-

ities against Yugoslav parti-suns and knew nothing about the deportation of Greek Jews.

But the "Witnesses From

the Past" conference was dis-turbed by demonstrators who

unfolded paper banners silently behind the speakers. "We

want Hitler as a defence witness," read one. "Memory

gap for president," ran a

second. A third quoted Dr

Waldheim's repeated posi-tion: "I first learnt of Jewis"

deportations from Salonika .z

The speakers ignored the

demonstrators.

Mr Fritz Molden, who was

involved in clearing Dr Wald-

heim in 1945 for service in

Austria's post-war Foreign

Ministry, said he was checked against any Nazi taint within a week by Austria's Interior Ministry and two American

organizations, including the foreruner to the Central In-

files that could have shown that Waldheim was a Nazi," Mr Molden said. "It would

have been unimaginable for

the Foreign Ministry to have

taken him on if he was in the

S.A. the (elite Nazi) SS or

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There was nothing in the

telligence Agency.

anything else."

male caller to a Western news agency in west Beirut. In heavily Palestinian-ac-BEIRUT: Vowing to launch further attacks against American targets "across the world,"

BEIRUT: Vowing to launch bombing of the flight was the work of the Arab Revolutionary Cells.

### THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

### Today's events

Royal engagements Princess Margaret opens the re-furbished offices of the Bromsgrove District Council,

New exhibitions

Tapestries by Maria Rogoyska and glass by Steven Newell: British Crafts Centre, 43 Earlham St. WC2: Mon to Fri 10 to 5.30. Sat | | to 5 (ends May 3). Recent works by Denzil Forrester: Commonwealth Instilute. Kensington High St. W8; Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2 to 5 (ends April 28).

Smoke screens by Steve Rush; The Foyer, Barbican Centre. EC2; Mon to Sat 10 to 10 (ends

1 What you could end with

9 A way to get river fish many

10 Certainly a good animal (5).

11 Distressed a group of superior persons? (5).12 Plan one cherished cut short

13 Unknown author presently

17 Musie maker, old as the

20 The prosecutor who employs a couple of hundred (7).

21 Set, holding oothing in sack

22 The old man of Peru presents a not entirely plain

23 It points to what should

I Elias ends a muddle about a

have been to line (5). 26 A goose and a girl (5).

27 Like Lucy's ways (9). 28 Gives false impression of a spinster round about this

to appear (4).

18 Away with cold! (7).

Ascot (7).

Devil (7).

case (4).

time (13).

DOWN

armed opposition, Hamlet (3,2.8).

Works by Wendy Raphael: The Ginnel Gallery. Lloyds House, Lloyd St. Manchester;

seum, Cambridge; Tues to Sat 2 Mon to Fri 9.30 to 5,30, Sat I to to 5, Sun 2.15 to 5.
A Show of Hands; Graves Art Gallery, Surrey St, Sheffield; Mon to Sat 10 to 8, Sun 2 to 5

Music

4 (ends April 25).
Hard Times: The Children's Soicety Photographs 1985 by Mark Power; Watermans Arts Centre, 40 High St, Brentford; Mon to Sun 11 to 9.30pm (ends May 4). (cnds April 19).
Pâte de verre by Diana Hobson: Crafts Council Shop, Victoria & Albert Museum, SW7;
Mon to Thurs 10 to 5.40, Sat 10 May 4).
Gallery Spectators: animated sculpture by Tim Huokin;
Southampton Art Gallery, Civic to 5.30, Sun 2.30 to 5.30, closed Friday (ends April 17). Centre: Tues to Fri 10 to 5, Sat 10 to 4, Sun 2 to 5, closed Mon Last chance to see

(ends April 27).

Photographs by Gene Lambert: Orchard Gallery, Orchard St. Londonderry: Tues to Sat 10 to 6 (ends April 26).

Exhibitions in progress

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 17,011

Prints by Stephen Gooden; Charrington Print Room (ends April 27); The Sir Geoffrey Keynes Collection (William Blake and his associates) (ends May 11): The Fitzwilliam Mu-

2 Tapestry from somewhen

3 Anointment in the river is practical (10).

4 Blimey — rising with speed to revel! (7).

5 Strip of oeglige (7). 6 The noose! The game's up

7 Like the reputation of one least involved with sins (9).

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surroundings (10).

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Solution to Puzzle No 17.010

Food prices

Meat prices have not changed

Cadbury's National Ex-hibition of Children's Art, Derby City Museum and Art Recital by Donna Deam (so-

prano) with Musica Dolce; St James's, Piccadilly, WI, 1.10. Concert by the Hartley Trio; Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, W1, 7,30. Concert by the Bournemouth Orchestra;

Symphony Orchestra: Guildhall, Southampton, & Guitar recital by Neil Smith; Grundy Art Gallery, Queen St. Blackpool, 12.45. Concert by the Bournemouth

Sinfonietta with Evangelos and Liza (guitar); St Andrew's, Chippenham, 7.30. Piano recital by John Savory;

Art Gallery, Bury St Edmun Talks, lectures, films

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Fictions: Paolozzi and exhibitionism, by Anthony Shelton: Museum of Mankind, 6 Burlington Gardens, Wl. l.
Masterpieces of Persiao, Turkish and Mughal paioting, 12; Manuscript treasures from India, 2.30. both hy Barbara Brend: The British Museum, Great Russell St, WCl.
Die Bricke (film); York City An Gallery, Exhibitioo Sq. 1 and 3.

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The Planet Uranus: past and present. by Prof A J Meadows; The Pump Room, Bath, 7.30.

Austen Lecture: Life and Death: Medical ethics and the law, by Prof D D Raphael; The

Council Chamber, Leeds University, 5.30. General

Model and Hobby World; Alexandra Park, N22, today, tomorrow and Sunday 10 to 8

(ends April 6).

Fan making workshop: Museum of London, London Wall, EC2, 1t to 1 and 2 to 4.

British International Antiques Fair: National Exhibition Centre, Birmingham, today, to-morrow 11 to 9. Sun 11 to 6. Mon and Tues 11 to 9, Wed 11 to 6 (ends April 9).

The pound



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much since Easter, but most butchers will have special offers. A few of this week's good buys are: Dewhurst New Zealand lamb legs £1.39 a lh and Dewfresh turkeys, with no additives or water, 99p a lb; Fine Fare beef topside and silverside rare peer topside and silverside £1.84 a lb; Safeway New Zea-land lamb rib chops £1.19 a lh and loin chops £1.29 a lb; Sainsbury English pork shoul-der £1.36 a lb and back and top rib of beef £1.52; Bejam sirloio

steak £3.44 a lb and pork chops 99p a lb; Tesco New Zealand lamb chops £1.24 and braising steak £1.58 a lb. Most fish should be cheaper by the weekend. Look out for farmed trout and salmon. More than 1,500 boxes of salmon arrived at Billingsgate this week, and prices could be low.

Home grown vegetables, particularly greens and cabbages, have been badly affected by February's weather. Many plants were killed off and others severally regarded Although pants were killed off and others severely retarded. Although there are pleoty of potatoes and carrots around, their quality leaves a lot to be desired. Supplies of cauliflower, supplemented by produce from Britany and Jessey, are excellent. tany and Jersey, are excelled and a best buy at 45-50p. There and a best buy at 45-50p. There are adequate supplies of parsnips at 25-30p 6 lb, onions 10-20p lb and swedes 15-20p 6 lb. Egyptian King Edward and Carapotatoes at 15-10p a lh are excellent. Broccoli from Spain and Italy 90p-£1.20p 6 lb. mangetout £1.50-£2 a lh and courperies 60-90p a lb.

courgettes 60-90p a lb.
leeberg lettuce is good value
at 50-60p a head; Spanish and
Israeli celery 35-45p a head,
cooked beetroot 28-35p a lb.
Marce tomatoes 35-50p a lb. green and red peppers 80p-£1 and avocados from 25p each.

### Anniversaries

Births: Grinling Gibbon woodcarver, Rotterdam, 1648: Sir William Siemens, metallurgist and inventor, Lenthe, Germany, 1823; René de Gourmont writer, Bazoches-en-Moulmes. France, 1858; Maurice de Vla-France, 1858; Maurice de Vla-minck, painter, Paris, 1876.
Deaths: Oliver Goldsmith, London, 1774; William Henry Harrison, general and ninth president of the USA, served only one month, March-April 1841, Washington, 1841; Carl Benz, automobile engineer, Ladenburg, Germany, 1929; Martin Luther King, assas-sinated, Memphis, Tennessee, 1968.

The winning number of this month's £250,000 Premium Bond prize is 2CT 076495. The winner lives in Middlesex. North Atlantic Treaty (Nato) signed in Washington, 1949. AUSTRIA St Anton Snow very he FRANCE ITALY Courneyeur Snow falling ste **SWITZERLAND** Slush on lower runs
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Top Films

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Top video rentals

) Return of the Jedi ) Police Academy 2: Their 1st Assignment ) Brewster's Millions Rambo: First Blood 2 5 (5 ) Mask 6 (7 ) Ghostbusters 7 (6 ) Grentins 8(11) Birdy 9(15) Lightblast 10 (8 ) Beverly Hills Cop

Roads

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again. MT: Lane closures on southboa carriageway between junction 6A (M2 and 8 (Watford) may cause delay between 10.30 sm and 4.30 pm.
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Reconstruction work continues to affect the Coleshift bypass. A41: Readworks causing delays on the main Birmingham to Warwick road at Hatton.
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### Weather forecast

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6 am to midnight

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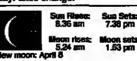
(46F). Central S, central N England, Middlands: Misty at first but surny intervals and showers developing during the morning; the showers will largely die out during the evening;

largely die out during the evening; wind N to NE light or moderate; max temp 9C (48F).

Channel Islands, SW, NW England, Wales, Lake District, Isla of Man, SW, NW, Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, Northern Ireland: Sunny intervals and isolated showers, falling as snow over high ground; wind N to NE moderate; max temp 11C (52F), but colder on exposed coasts.

coasts.
NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, litoray Firth, NE Scotland: Surny intervals and showers, some heavy with hail and thunder and telling as enrow over high ground; heavy with hail and thunder and falling as snow over high ground; wind N to NE moderate; max temp 7C (45F). Orkney, Shetland: Sunny inter-

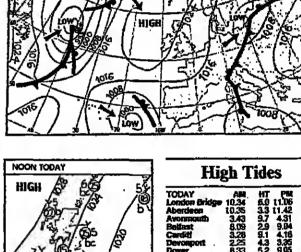
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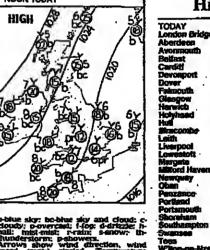


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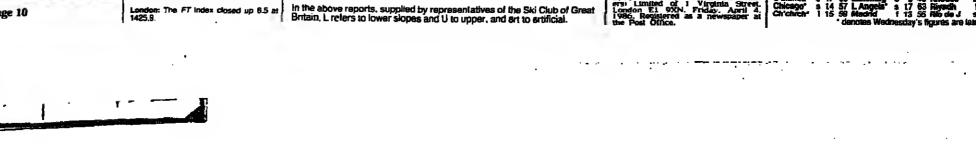


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### Air group's £78m issue

Guinness Peat Aviation, the world's largest aircraft operating lease company, yesterday announced the private place-ment of \$115 million (£78.76 million) of convertible preferred shares with Japanese, European and US investors. The placement, which was oversubscribed from an origi-

nal \$100 million, has trebled the company's equity to \$190 The largest subscribers to the placement were Long Term Credit Bank of Japan, which took a total of \$55 million, Prudential Insurance Corporation of America and General Electric Credit

### Coporation. Reckitt lift

Reckitt & Colman, the household products group, lifted profits from £106 million to £123 million before tax in the year to January 4. Turnover rose from £1.12 billion to £1.27 billion and the final dividend is increased

### Tempus, page 19 Ibstock lower

Ibstock Johnsen, the brick crude prices down by as much manufacturer, made pretax profits of £11.4 million in 1985, down from £12.4 million. Turnover moved ahead from £51.1 million to £53.9 discuss the stabilization of the millioo and the dividend is oil price when he arrives in increased by 0.8p to 4.8p.

Tempus, page 19

But the stock market

### Record sale

Barclays Bank of Kenya is planning the biggest-ever stock flotation on the Nairobi stock exchange by selling up to 5 million shares to Kenyan citizens. The flotation is aimed at transferring 30 percent of the bank's ownership from London to Kenyan

### Peel issue

Peel, the property develop-er, says it will save more than £1 millioo a year in interest charges through the issue of £35 million 9% per cent debenture stock 2011. The proceeds will refinance medium term borrowings.

### Bid prospect

Bacon Co of Ireland says it is in discussions with other parties which may lead to a bid. No other details have been disclosed.

### Ali clear

The Trade Secretary has decided not to refer the following proposed acquisitions to the Monopolies Commssion: Smith Bros and Scott Goff Layton; Banque Bruxelles Lambert and Williams de Broe Hill Chaplin; and Hill Samuel Group and Wood

### Govett talks

Govett Atlantic Investment Trust and Govett Enterprise Investment Trust are in discussions which may lead to Atlantie buying the shares in Enterprise it does not already

### Oxford deal

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Oxford Instruments has conditionally agreed to acquire the outstanding minor-ity partnership interest in Oxford Superconducting of New Jersey, a specialized magnet manufacturer, for an estimated \$12.4 million (£8.4

## SE to seek inquiry into 'secret' Westland deals

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The Department of Trade have acted together to secure a and Industry is to be asked to particular outcome in the investigate possible breaches tussle between Sikorsky and a of the Companies Act during consortium of European aerothe bitter proxy battle among space companies for
Westland shareholders last Westland's hand.

The Stock Exchange is ex- under the 1985 Companies pected to make the request Act and would warrant the after completing its investiga- appointment of inspectors by the unit of controversial West- Mr Pani Channon, the Trade iand share dealings that took and Industry Secretary.

The Stock Exchange's replace in the run up to a crucial shareholders meeting which voted in favour of a unlikely to be published in Sikorsky/Fiat £80 million res-

The Stock Exchange's threeman investigating committee has concluded that there is no case for disciplinary action against members of the mar-ket involved in the transactions because there was no breach either of Stock Exchange rules or the takeover

However, it does suggest Scrimgeour that the Department of Trade Hoare Govett. and industry ought to investi-gate the possible existence of a secret concert party or group of shareholders which may

**US** move

oil price

North Sea oil prices slipped

back again yesterday after the US Administration made it

clear that the free market

should be allowed to set oil

The reports at first sent

Dr Subroto: confident

of agreement on cuts

new record with the FT 30-

share index up 6.5 at 1,425.9.

The pound lost 1.3 cents to

The price of Brent, Britain's benchmark crude, breached the \$10 a barrel level for the

second time this week when a

cargo for delivery in July was

Cargos for delivery in May fell to \$10.05 a barrel in early

trading but then recovered to \$10.40 a barrel in the absence

In quiet but volatile trading,

traders dismissed reports that Dr Subroto, the Indonesian oil

minister, expected the Organization of Petroleum Exporting

Countries to agree on produc-

tion cuts at this month's

meeting.
Dr Subroto confirmed that

the April 15 meeting would go

ahead and said his proposals

for a 12 or 14 per cent cut in

the 16 million barrels a day production ceiling would be

Meanwhile, Sheikh Ali al-

Khalifa al-Sabah, the Kuwaiti oil minister, said be was

confident oil prices would rise

In the US, pessimism about the oil price was further

encouraged when the weekly

inventory figures showed an

nnexpected build-up in stocks

traded at \$9.90.

of many sellers.

accepted.

in time.

By Teresa Poole

This would be an offence

the exchange, is believed to

e concluded that it would

difficult to prove the

existence of a concert party

although there are grounds for suspecting it.
The inquiry started in early February after allegations that a false marker had developed in Westland shares. At one stage prices of up to 125p a share were being offered by mystery buyers for big parcels of shares. Small shareholders on the other hand were being offered no more than the market price of 90p a share.

shareholders, including three Swiss bank nominees, held a 20.33 per cent interest in the

company.
Westland has attempted to investigate the ultimate beneficial owners of these shares using powers under section the Companies Act. TNT, the Australian transport group, has confirmed that it is the beneficial owner of a 4.99 per cent stake but the other shareholders have yet to reply to letters requesting details of eneficiaries. Mr Michael Baughan o

Lazard Brothers, the mer-chant bank, said TNT had denied it was acting in concern with any other shareholder.

The hnyers who acted for beneficial owners, as yet undiscolosed, were Sterling Trust, based in Geneva, Gulf and Occidental Investmen Bank, Lynx Marketing, registered in Panama, and two Swiss bank nominees under the name of Dreyfus. The Stock Exchange is ex-

pected to propose a new set of rules to deal with Westland A Stock Exchange report like proxy battles

### Two City self-regulating organizations to merge

By Lawrence Lever

The shape of the self-regulatory framework for the City is couraged by the Securities and likely to become a little clearer within the next few weeks. Two of the intended self-regulatory organizations oper-

Instead, the exchange's council is expected to publish

a statement naming the three

stockbroking firms which act-ed on behalf of the six mystery

shareholders who bought into

Westland before the shareholders' meeting on Febuary 12.

The stockbroking firms were Rowe & Pitman,

Scrimgeour Vickers and

The Stock Exchange's investigating committee, chaired by Mr Peter Wills, a

former deputy chairman of

regulatory organizations are to "ating beneath it. announce that they are to merge, while a third is likely to be canvassing for members by the end of this month.

The chief executive of the intermediaries, hence a merg-National Association of Secu- er with LUTIRO made sense. rities Dealers and Investment The chairman of the Managers (Nasdim), Mr John LUTIRO organizing commitrities Dealers and Investment Grant, said yesterday that tee, Mr Henry White-Smith, Nasdim and the Life and Unit said yesterday that some of the Trust Intermediaries Regula-tory Organization (LUTIRO) decide to become company would be merging, although a representatives rather than formal announcement would face the costs of joining a selfshrugged off nervousness in the oil market and closed at a not be made at least until the regulatory organization, while end of this month.

"We have not yet decided tests of competence. on a name for the combined group", Mr Grant said.

maker of the BBC micro

computer, which came peril-ously close to going under last year before being rescued by

Olivetti, sees no reason to make a loss in 1986.

Mr Brian Long, the manag-ing director, would not commit himself to a specific profit forecast, but he hoped to do a

little better than break even in

the year to December 1986, after 18 months of losses.

For the period to December 1985, the first six months of

operation since being rescued

by Olivetti, Acorn yesterday reported a pretax loss of £2.9

Compared with the £22.2

million loss reported in the year to June 1985, this is a significant Improvement

which is due in large measure

to the reduction of exces

stocks and purchase commit-ments, streamlining of corpo-rate activities and reducing

The year-end has been moved from June to December to bring it into line with that of the Olivetti Group which now owns 79.4 per cent of Acorn's

Acorn confident

as losses fall

By Carol Ferguson

The merger has been en-Investments Board (SIB), which would like five selfstep closer this week.

Mr Grant said that many of Nasdim's members are already providing services analagous to life and unit trust

next week. others would oot satisfy the

The formation of another self-regulatory organization -

insolvent, and needed to make

accounts should be qualified.

Customs and Excise within a

Having Olivetti as the major shareholder will allow Acorn the luxury of being able to spend one-third of its capital

expenditure on research and

Turnover for the first three

mouths of 1986 is slightly ahead of last, but business is

still heavily dependent on the

BBC micro. For the six months to June 1986, the BBC

micro will account for nearly

This will fall to around 70

per cent in the second half. From 1987 on, Acorn envis-

ages that only 50 per cent of sales will be products of that type, the balance being OEM. No dividend is being de-

clared, and none is envisaged

for the foreseeable future.

90 per cent of turnover

Acorn expects to settle with

The Life Assurance and Unit Trust Regulatory Organiza-tion (LAUTRO) - moved a

The various working parties set up by the LAUTRO steering group this week produced a consolidated report on aspects of the marketing of life assurance and unit trusts, together with a draft prospec-tus for membership of LAUTRO.

The draft prospectus will be considered at a meeting of the steering group scheduled for next Tuesday and, subject to the approval of the group, it will be sent out by the end of

The membership of LAUTRO will be primarily composed of authorized insurance companies and managers of authorized unit trusts.

### TKM tops profits

By Teresa Poole

Acorn Computer Group, In 1985, Customs and Excise aker of the BBC micro feared that Acorn may be Mr Roo Brierley, the New Zealand entrepreneur, yester-day bolstered his £100 million an assessment in order to rank as a creditor. Poor record bid for the Kenning Motor keeping made it difficult to agree the amount immediately. Group with better than fore-cast results for Tozer Kemsley Acorn has provided £345,000 in the latest ac-& Millbourn, the motor dis-tributor in which the Brierley counts, in its view a generous estimate of the eventual liabilsubsidiary IEP Finance holds ity including professionial fees. Because the assessment is still in force, the auditors have taken the view that the a 62 per cent stake.

Tozer's profits before excepional items were £6.05 million compared with a forecast of £4 million made at the time of the rights issue in Novem-

The share offer for Kenning, by Tozer and IEP Finance, is now worth 236p a share with the Tozer convertible preference shares at 135p. Kenning yesterday closed 3p higher at

In the formal offer docu-ment published with the results, the board of Tozer accused the Kenning manage ment of lacking both direction and logic.

Tozer's chief executive, Mr Reg Heath, said; "The company is badly directed, has lost its way totally, and needs fresh

management at the top."
Mr Brierley already owns
29.9 per cent of Kenning and if the offer were fully taken up his stake in Tozer would emerge at around 55 per cent.

# forecast

Harvey-Jones's Dimbleby lecture. For the question to be controversial you have to insert the adjective "manufacturing," and to enter one of those proxy political arguments in which phrases do duty for ideas. Manufacturing industry is no more good or bad than public expenditure or the infrastructure. Sadly, ICI's chairman falls into the

trap of contrasting manufacturing, which does the man's work of exporting or wealth creation, with services, which are jolly good but not like the real thing. In this scheme of

Lawson's ADR tax

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet** 

accuse it of just such a shortcoming, it

must therefore sit up and take note.

The occassion was the Budget im-

position of a discriminatory 5 per

cent tax on American Depository

Receipts. It was bound to be viewed,

the chairmen of BAT Industries,

Unilever, and British Petroleum said

in a recent letter to The Times as

another piece of anti American

have been particularly badly thought through. It was excused by the

chancellor in the Budget as a way of

making up for revenue lost because of

the halving of stamp duty on share

transactions. But revenue earning

ability of the new tax is doubtful. The

effect will either be to choke off the

ADR market completely or to drive

companies into tax avoidance

schemes as extreme as registering

Pre-Budget secrecy prevented the

authorities from taking any in depth soundings in the City but it surely

cannot have taken much foresight to

see that the stock exchange would

vehemently oppose the ADR tax. The Treasury, however, clearly lacked the foresight believing the

stock exchange would welcome any-thing that choked off the ADR market which over the last five years

has meant a considerable drain of

business to the United States and

If there is one thing markets hate

more than loss of business, it is

anything that smacks of protec-

tionism especially as the era of global

equity trading approaches.

There is also another thought

drifting around those in the City with

a penchant for conspiracy theories.

The much muted alternative to

stamp duty was, before the Budget,

some kind of tax on banking trans-

actions. The major clearing banks

jibbed at the idea. But they have

nothing to fear from anything that

stiffles the booming ADR market since they, and their British based

securities trading offshoots, are pre-vented by the US Glass-Steagall Act

There are no prizes for answering the

question "Does industry matter?" --

especially as the title of Sir John

from operating in that market.

Message from ICI

other overseas markets.

The new tax does indeed seem to

prejudice.

-offshore.

lacks foresight The Treasury is often accused of being mean but rarely of being inept. When the chairmen of three of Britain's leading companies industry (in which ICI plays a notable part) has mnre in common with casting manhole covers (manufac-

> medicine (services). If we remove that false line between manufacturing and tradeable business as a whole - even if we exclude oil as temporary - then Sir John's message becomes clearer. Overall, we are still Insing nur share of world markets and taking big industry for granted instead of nurturing it.

turing) than with contract research or

The general climate of opinion may be crucial as a background to national policy, but it is clearly not enough in itself. Sir John bemoans the City's short-term view of industry but he neglects to note that market forces increasingly prevent investment managers taking a more "responsible" tack. Intervention would be needed in change that.

The ICI chairman does want government to suit taxation, energy costs and exchange rates to industry's needs. He would also like aid with prototypes and support for pure science. But he appears to reject industrial policy in the sense used in Japan and France

In doing so, he may be neglecting some of the things the community can supply while asking for certainties governments cannot offer.

### Banks play it cool

A weakening in the oil price has been foreseen for some time by many of the banks. But predictions centred on \$20 a barrel or, according to the real Cassandras, \$15 a barrel. It is probably fair to say that the present \$10 to \$11 a barrel only featured in worst case" forecasts.

There is not only the disruption the oil price fall is already causing to Third World borrowers such as Mexico and Nigeria, but also the threat it poses to bank loans to the oil sector which are typically secured against future oil production at a price well above the current value of

Yet officially, the banks are staying cool. The oil price, they argue, must bounce back to reasonable levels. At the same time British banks, such as Bank of Scotland, which specialize in the sector, have been switching their businesses out of loan exposures

If a crisis does come the banks are agreed that it will be triggered by collapses among small American regional banks

However, small bank collapses are nothing unusual in the United States. In any case, the shrinking margins on energy lending in recent years have meant that most of the business has been done by the big banks, behind which stands the Federal Reserve Board and the Federal Deposit Insuraoce Corporation. This argument, however, again raises the question of the distinction between expendable "small" banks and protected "big" ones.

### Booming Burton 'fit for new bid'

Burton, the retailing group which includes the acquisition.

Debenhams stores, yesterday announced a 114 per cent increase in pretax profits to £74.3 million. And, with takeover activity again at boiling point. Burton appeared to indicate that it cannot be ruled our of the harile for

Mr Mike Wood, the finance director, said: "It is a very interesting development, and we will be looking at the terms of the arrangement."

proposed

Burton's share price rose 8p to 354p, reflecting bid interest in the stores sector and satis-

faction at the benefits flowing from Debenhams, into which Burton bas injected nearly 100 speciality departments such as Top Shop, Principles and Dorothy Perkins.

In the last six months group sales rose by 135 per cent to £620 million. Burton confirmed that Dehenbams reached its profits forecast for last year of £60 million, made A boardroom colleague confirmed that, "if the right opportunity occurs," Burton at the time of the takeover bid, while sales in the six mooths

was in a position to make an rose by Il per cent over the corresponding period.

The chairman, Mr Ralph Halpern, said that parts of Debenhams were for sale. It hoped to raise about £10 million from the sale of its stake in an American property development and was also planning to dispose of a chain of 55 shoe shops.

Other parts of the business were also under review, in-eluding the future of the Hamleys toy shop in the West End of London.

Burton is paying an in-creased interim dividend of 1.6p a share, up from 1.25p.

Bank of Scotland announces that with effect from 1st May, 1986 Bank of Scotland Home Loan Rate will be decreased from 13.00% per annum to 12.00%

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### Last post in Imps battle By Alison Eadie

equity. The manual report is due out shortly. Like last year, the accounts will be qualified by the auditors in respect of a possible underpayment of Value Added Tax of \$2.6 million.

The final appeals to Imperial shareholders were mailed vesterday by rival bidders Inited Biscuits and Hanson Trust as well as by Imperial

UB and Imperial continued to stress the commercial logic of their agreed merger, which they said would produce 17 per cent more income than the Hansoo bid, comparable capiral value and would make 100 ner cent commonsense.

Hansoo Trust continued to stress that its best offer was worth more than UB's best offer. It also said it had an outstanding record of improving the performance of the companies it buys.

UB's final closing date is April 11. At yesterday's prices its offer was worth 362p a share or £2.75 billion against Hanson offer of 380p a share or £2.88 billion. Imperial were uochanged at

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### **Barclays** hit by £22m Italian loss From John Earle, Rome

Barclays Bank's Italian sub-sidiary has surprised the Milao fioaocial world hy reporting a 1985 loss of 51,670 million lira (£22.2 million) after breaking even in 1984.

An official said, bowever.

that 44,500 million lira of these represented bad debts, for which British standards of accounting has been adopted, and that the effective operational loss was little more than 7,000 millioo lira, maioly due to reduced margins oo the inter-bank market. Barclays admits that it has

undergone "rapid and con-fused growth" during the 1980s, taking oo too many small, low-quality customers. Signor Gian Marco Petrelli, the general manager who moved from Citibank in 1984. conducted a reappraisal of strategy and has decided to give priority to advisory and other services to larger cus-

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United Biscuits (Holdings) plc Recommended Offer for Imperial Group public limited company PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE 2. Acceptance of the Offer is on the terms and subject to the conditions set out in the Offer Document. The provisions of paragraph 8 of Appendix II to the Offer Document are incorporated in and form part of this

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Your signature could enable you to enjoy an income 17% greater than that from the highest Hanson offer.

We, the Imperial Board, urgently and unanimously recommend you to reject the unwelcome Hanson bid and accept the United Biscuits' offer without delay.

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This is your last opportunity to help create a great new British consumer company – United Imperial – and benefit from its highly profitable future.



# Reckitt puts faith in Magic Mushrooms

The Magic Mushroom, Reck-itt & Colman's latest product, tled for a slice of the action. should end fears that the Ooly 2 few months later company is too staid for this disappointing figures from era. However, shareholders Abbey sent the shares into a might be relieved to know slump. that it is not the 1960s Yesterday's results — for hallucinatory substance but the first full year since the an air freshener for Ameri-

Yesterday, the company shares up 7p to 217p.

To an extent, the original function desprished announced increased profits

of £123 million before tax for euphoria was based on a 1985, up from £106 million, misconception. At the time helped by a £17.8 million many investors believed that turnround in North America. government plans to scrap
A large part of the im-

of the Atlantic reflected the to a pensions bonanza for life contribution of Airwick, ac- companies. But the Serps quired last year. This company made pre-interest profits of £11 million on sales of £162 million. The City was reassured, however, by talk of the companies of an improvement in margins. at least in Europe, in the coming year and news that the purchase price has been reduced by £50 million to £128 million. As a result Reckitt's shares jumped 43p yesterday to \$79p.
There are still worries

about some aspects of Reckitt's operations. The total spending on bousehold products remains high, parily because of the kaunch of the Magic Mushroom In the company of the magic Mushroom In the company of the spending of t Magic Mushroom. In theory, it should soon fall, at least as a proportion of sales.

Then there is the problem of the pharmaceurical division, where profits fell slightly last year to £24.1 million. The company says this is unlikely to grow substantially visible in the sluggish growth without an overseas of new initial commissions, acquisition.

With net borrowings of £41.2 million or 11 per cent of shareholders' funds at the vear end. Reckitt has sufficient financial resources for an acquisition.

With its own shares trading on 16 times earnings, assum-ing profits of £139 million this year, it cannot afford to relax, however inventive the marketing team.

### Abbey Life

With the benefit of hindsight. Ibstock Johnsen it is easy to say now that the stock market's euphoria over the flotation of Abbey Life, the unit-linked life company, last year was overdone.

China acts

to beat

cash deals

From David Bonavia

Hong Kong

foreign currency certificates in

an attempt to stamp out black

1979, are issued to foreigners in return for foreign currency

and can be used in specified shops. They were designed to

prevent unauthorized Chinese

citizens from buying laxury or

imported goods on sale to

They have been traded on

the black market at up to double their nominal value,

but observers in Hong Kong say the black market will not

China also plans to ban the

use of Hong Kong dollars which now circulate freely in

parts of southern China close

to the British-ruled territory.

be climinated entirely.

market currency deals.

China is to abolish its

The certificates, in use since

provement on the other side Pensions Scheme would lead

market's caution towards Abbey is the company's own performance. The figures show that the company has achieved the £33 million profit forecast made at flotation time - it has turned in £34.6 million for 1985, up

The result is solid but hardly compares with the sparkling growth achieved in the early 1980s and falls short of that now being achieved by of Abbey's many competitors.

Evidence that the company has lost the competitive edge it enjoyed a few years ago is up by less than £1 million from £45.5 million to £46.4 million.

Abbey suffered a slack six months for new business in the middle of 1985. The day was saved by a rush into pensioos early in the year caused by pre-Budget panic and an improvement in new business at the end of the

Abbey is sounding more optimistic about new business next year but it will have to be nimble on its feet.

Brick manufacturers have been riding the Hanson Trust/Loodoo Brick price wave for so long that this year Abbey shares leapt by more may come as a rude shock than 50p from the 180p offer The outlook for further increases is distinctly unexcit-ing given the high level of industry stocks and new

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lbstock has always boasted one of the highest return on British brick sales with trading margins of 30 per cent Last year, despite price increases, this slipped to 26 per cent because of bad first-half weather and disruption from a heavy investment programme. Recovery from the severe winter was slower than expected and deliveries were below those of 1984 with a consequent £1 million drop in British building products trading profits to £14 million.

In the US, however, the return to profit finally hap-pened and building products turnover moved ahead of Britain. After reduced firsthalf losses, the second half produced £1.4 million in preioterest profits and a 4 per cent return on sales, which points to a sharp improvement this year.

A further £2.3 million of plant closure costs were charged below the line but the tidying up in the US is now completed and up to £4 million io trading profits should be possible this year. It will take a long time for margins to approach British levels, but the increasing popularity of brick in the US housing market gives sales

.Fibres - the oddball of the group — suffered from falling wood pulp prices exacerbated by the strong dollar. The contribution plummeted from £2.3 million to £867,000, wiping out much of the US improvement. Capital investment, at

£14.8 million, represents the peak of a three-year pro-gramme and the company admits to baving been overstretched. There was greater disruption than expected and some of the new equipment was delayed. The British management structure is now under review.

This year's first-half profits will be held back by the cold weather and the shares, up 2p at 188p, look to be up with events, assuming profits of £15 million for the full year and a prospective rating of

Melbourne (Reuter) - Mr Robert Holmes a Court yesterday launched a fourth takeover bid for Australia's largest company, only days after points on the day, withdrawing his previous Shortly after the c

thorities for registration.

The offer for BHP would contain terms, conditions and information designed to overcome objections raised in court action, Mr Holmes a Court's company said. Mr Holmes a Court, who

has been stalking BHP for nearly three years, dropped bis third offer early last week after it had been stalled for almost six weeks by legal action. His takeover vehicle, Bell

Resources, which holds nearly 19 per cent of BHP shares, said in a stock exchange statement it had chosen to assume the validity of BHP's objections rather than contest

Market analysts expect Mr Holmes à Court to announce full details of his offer today or

His previous partial bid aimed for a minimum 20 per cent to a maximum 34 per cent of BHP's 1.25 billion issued shares on top of his current stake which would have given him effective

Aus\$7.70 a share, well above yesterday's closing price of Aus\$6.36, a low level which has followed the oil price slump, analysts said.

sales of Aus\$8 billion, earns the bulk of its revenue from oil production.

bid would have the advantage of knowing much of BHP's defence strategy and is expect-ed to be pitched at a lower share price, analysts said. BHP, Australia's biggest oil

and steel producer, spent tens of millions of dollars in a defence campaign which went to the courts, government and unions in an effort to stop Mr Holmes à Court, who responded to the bitter corporate struggle by proving adept at personal promotion in trying to win the hearts and minds of BHP's 180,000 shareholders.

### Financier launches fourth bid for BHP

But the financier gave no details of his new bid when he lodged takeover documents with Australia's corporate au-

Monday.

He had offered to pay

BHP, which has annual

Mr Holmes à Court's new

ship contract, warned yester-day that the jobs of its 5,000 Northern Ireland workers could be in jeopardy if it loses The company is building only three ships, an order book worth £160 million, and will ruo out of work early in 1988. The chairman, Mr John Parker, said that without substantial new orders, the future for the workforce and the yard The company has also de-

### Ramada set to build six more UK hotels by 1990

Ramada, the world's third largest hotel chain, is poisedto open six more hotels in Britain by 1990 with a deal for a new hotel in a regional city expected to be announced within a week.

The company already has a botel in Reading and its second Braish venture, the Ramada Renaissance at Brighton, is being built. It is due to open next spring. These are Ramada's re-

scheduled plans in the wake of the cancellation of its agreement with International Leisure Group, the tourism company beaded by Mr Harry Goodman which includes

Less than a year ago the companies announced a joint veoture aimed at building a British hotel chain under the

invested in eight to ten botels London would operate under

over three or four years. But because there have been no developments through the joiot venture it has been terminated by mutual con-

ILG still aims to build up its hotel interests. It had acquired the Barbican City hotel in London before the Ramada agreement was signed, and since the agreement it has taken on two other London properties, the Charing Cross Hotel and the Grosvenor near Victoria Stauon.

botels, iocluding refurbishing, now exceeds £50 million. The company also has a joint venture with the Ladbroke group for developing hotels and other holiday accommodation abroad.

the Ramada banner but after evaluation that idea was dropped. Another factor for ILG was that, with the new purchases it was developing its own hotel management team, making it less reliant oo Ramada for such expertise.

ILG now aims to add about six hotels in the London area to its British chain within the oext three years. The joint scheme with Ramada bad envisaged some regional ho-

Both Ramada and ILG are ILG investment in British now looking at existing prop-totels, iocluding refurbishing, erties and new building as ways to expand.

At Ramada, Mr Dan Mosczytz, senior vice presi-deot, said: "The UK remains a priority for the next phase of Ramada's growth and its ex-Ramada banner, with about Initially it had been expect-pansion plans call for 1,000 £100 million likely to be ed the three ILG properties in additional rooms by 1990." pansioo plans call for 1,000

### COMPANY NEWS

• PORTLAND HOLDINGS: Interim dividend, 2 cents (nil), Figures in Zim\$000. Pretax profit for six months to February 28, 2,003 (478). Earnings per share 4.9c (loss 0.2.). • EALING ELECTRO-OP-

EALING ELECTRO-OP-TICS: A dividend of 1.5p (nil) is payable for 1985, on May 27. With figures in £000, turnover totalled 7.471 (5.362) and profit before tax 1,271 (865). Earnings per share were 9.8p (not ap-plicable). The figures have been prepared as if the present group structure has been in existence structure has been in existence since January 1, 1984. The statutory figures reflect the actual group stiructure during the period, and are summarized as follows: unpover 6,793 (5.000) profit before tax 892 (339). Earnings per share were 7.5p

(3.6p). • MYSON GROUP: A final dividend of 1.375p, making 2.625p (1.25p) is payable for 1985. With figures in £000, turnover amounted 1058.683 (55.291) and pretax profit 5.843 (5.156). Earnings per share were 7.9p (6.7p). The poor markets for domestic heating products in the first three quarters of the year improved significantly in the last quarter and sales and profits were maintained at 1984 levels. The shares wereat 95, up

• CLUFF OIL HOLDINGS: Figures in £000. Pretax loss for 1985. 8.987 (loss 635).

• GREENBANK GROUP: Final 1.5p making 2.4p (2.1p) for 1985. Figures in £000. Profit before tax 1.774 (1402). tax 685 (586). Earnings per ordinary share 4.32p (3.24).

· LONDON AND MAN-CHESTER: Final dividend 15.691 (14), making 23.811p 119.81), Figures in £000. Profit for 1985 after tax 5.762 (5,050), other income 829 (741). Profit attributable 6,591 16,831). Earnings per share

(5,791). Earnings per share 28.74p (25.25p).

● ELYS (WIMBLEDON): Results for 52 weeks to February 1 (53 weeks to February 2, 1985). Final dividend 8.5p (8). making 9.5p (9). Figures in £000. Pretax prt 500 (473), tax 190 (234). Earnings per share 25.8p (19.9).

• SILKOLENE LUBRI-

CANTS: Final 3p, making 6p (9) for 1985. Figures in £000. Pretax profit 425 (1,003), tax 172 (368). Extraordinary debit \$58 (157 credit). making loss for year 605 (profit 792). Earnings per share 6p (15.2). Charge of £858,000 follows board's decision to rationalize refining and reprocessing. The year has had an encouraging start, and the company can expect to take increasing advantage of lower base oil prices.

• TSB GILT FUND: Dividend of 3p (gross) per share to be paid for the quarter to

11.75p, making 17.5p (15.5). Figures in £millions. Premium income: general insurance 1,778.5 (1,606.7), long-term insurance 576.6 (505.1), general insurance underwriting loss 183.4 (198.7), long-term insurance profits 20.9 (18.4). investment and other income 200.2 (227.9). Profits before tax 37.7 (47.6), tax 2.8 (4.1). Earnings per share 14p (20.8). • LYLE SHIPPING: Results for 1985. No ordinary, pre-ferred or preference dividends (same). Figures in £000. Pre-tax pft 6.812 (loss 16.801). Profit attributable 6,912 (loss

12.6p (loss 144.5p adjusted for (1,900), tax 821 (370), minority rights issue).

• BSG International: Results

for 1985. Dividend 0.715p (0.65), making 1.1p (1). Figures in £000. Profit before tax 6,517 (4205), tax 1,295 (1.862). Earnings per share 3.70 (2.10)

• WPP GROUP: Final 1.54p making 2.64p (2.4p) for 1985. With figures in £000. Turnover 3.961 (3.422), pretax profits 412 (311), tax 152 (128), earnings per share weighted av 6.02p (5.02p). The results do not include any contribution from the company's new activities in the company's new activities in the service sector. The board expects another successful year. Cash balances of more than £1.1 million at end-1985 have been supplemented by the recent share subscription of approximately £1.1 million by \$astchi, leaving WPP well positioned for further country. further growth.

• WM COOK & SONS: The

offer for the ordinary shares of Robert Hyde & Son has lapsed STANLEY MILLER: Final be paid for the quarter to
March 27.

SUN ALLIANCE: Results
for 1985. Final dividend 120 (loss 272), share of loss of asociate company 126 (loss 177), loss before tax six (loss 449), tax 24 (nil), extraordinary item dbt 266 (nil), loss per share 0.50p (7.48p). The loss of £6.037 (£448,831) is after taking into account a loss of the company's one-ume associate in Saudi Arabia and an extraordinary. loss in writing off its investment in the company. This year has begun with success in winning

• SCOTTISH HERITABLE TRUST: Results for the year to December. Final dividend 1 6p (1.4p) making 3p (2.5p). With figures In £000. Turnover 32.969 (24.322), operating pft 4.135 (2545), expenses 390 (349), interest on borrowings 495 (296), pretax pft 3,250

share of losses 20 (t), extraor-dinary dbt 299 (nil), profit attributable 2,150 (1,531), attributable 2,150 (1,351), earmings per share 12.1p (10.6p), profit of 4,135 (2,545), breakdown: engineering 728 (nil), property and inv 70 (622), floorcoverings 2019 (1,426), building and quarrying 589 (660), other activities loss 203 (163 loss), non-recurring building and great refer 212 (nil) ing and quarrying 212 (nil).

 WILLIAM JACKS: Final 0.6p making 1.1p (1p) With figures in £000. Turnover 28,289 (21,798), operating profit 589 (415). interest pyble 228 (225), pretax profit 361 (190), tax 45 (48), earnings per share 2.9p (2.17p). Full accounts on which the auditors reported with a qualification, have been filed with the registrar of

• GABICCE Results for the half-year to December 19 (£000) interim dividend 1p (0.9p). Turnover 4,319 (2,695), profit before tax 330 (252), tax 129 (111), earnings per share 3.4p

O HUTCHISON WHAM-POA: Final HK\$0.70 a mking. HK\$1.05 (0.84) net HK\$1.18 hillion (1.02 billion). Net escludes extraordinary profits of HK\$369 million (269 million), OCOATES BROTHERS: 1985 (comps adj) final 3.2p mkg 4.6p (same). With figs in £000, group turnover was 189,009 (181,838), group profit before tax 11,524 (12,324). UK tax 1,700 (2,910), overseas tax 3,224 (2.899), minorities 214 (163), extraord dbt 126 (nil). In 1984, the year ends of a significant number of subsidiaries were changed to December 31 and 14-month figures were included for those. The adj figures shown are the directors' estimates based on management accounts of these group results if no change had been made to the year ends of these subs.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

## Booming stores lead index to another day of records

other firm day vesterday, set-ting a record close on the FT-30 Index at 1,425.9, up 6.5

Shortly after the opening the index bit an all-time high of 1,432.2 points, gaining 12.8 points in the first hour. Although shares fell back from their best they improved again towards the close.

Double figure gains were prominent in the majority of

Stores led the way, with the Dixons offer for Woolworth exciting the speculative favourites, though the sector as a whole is already benefitting from the continuing consumer boom.

4. hebind the American bond market. Golds rose by a dollar or more.

Among leaders, Blue Circle, up 25p at 696p, leapt on news

Royal Navy anxiliary war-

being supported by govern-ment subsidies and that its bid

- the lower of the two - is

Dialene (128p)
Ferguson (J) (10p)
Gold Gm Trot (165p)

Gilts ended with gains to

staged a good recovery on attempts to underpin the spot price. Thorn EM1 met profit-

on higher bid hopes. BP Vickers improved on comgained 7p to 563p as oils pensation hopes, 15p to the

good at 528.

taking, however, which left about oil related debts. Na-

### Banks were one of the few weak sectors, falling on fears

RECENT ISSUES EQUITIES SAC triti (100p) SPP (125p) Templeton (215p) Abbott M V (180p) Ashley JL) (135p) BPP (160p) Brookmount (160p) 230 + 2Chart FL (86p) 93
Chartery Secs (63p) 77
Conv 9% A 2000 £29% 34
Cranswick M (95p) 105

188 ) 80 38 280 +2 Granyte Surface (56p) Inoco (55p)
JS Pathology (160p)
Jarvis Porter (105p)
Klearfold (118p)
Lexicon (115p)
Macro 4 (105p)
Merivale M (115p)
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Harland and Wolff's design for a £120 million auxiliary oil replenishment ship.

Harland warns of job threat

if Navy contract is lost

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

Industry, Harland and Wolff

has accused Swan Hunter of

"many rash and erroneous

statements" and of fearing

genuine competition.
On order initially are two

auxiliary oil replenishment

(AOR) ships each worth about

£120 million, but the big prize for the winning yard is the

prospect of orders for an

The Defeace Ministry is

understood to prefer the Harland bid both on price - it

is £5 million lower - and on the

pressing for the Swan Hunter bid largely on the ground that

the privatized company, not the state-owned, should be

additional four AORs.

Harland and Wolff, the In an increasingly bitter favoured.

state-owned Belfast shipbuild- battle of words, matched by

er which is leading a consor-tium bidding for the the Ministry of Defence and controversial £240 million the Department of Trade and

nied claims by the other crucial design and technical

bidder, newly-privatized Swan aspects. Trade department of-Hunter on the Tyne, that it is ficials, however, have been

Sigmex (101p) Snowdon & B (97p) Spice (80p) Tech Comp (130p) Underwoods (180p) 202 -2 Wellcome (120p) W York Hosp (90p) 172 + 2Wickes (140p) RIGHTS ISSUES Cullens F/P Greycoat N/P Hartwella N/P

NMW Comp F/P Porter chad F/P Safeway UK Wates F/P Westland F/P (Issue price in brackets)

The issue is to be discussed

by a Cabinet committee early

next week and a decision

taken. One possible compro-

mise, of placing AOR orders

with both yards, is being strongly resisted by the Minis-

try of Defence and the two

Mr Parker has been an-

gered by Swan's suggestion

that his is a subsidized public

sector bid. No subsidies were available for building naval

vessels, be said, and in any

case the consortium led by

Harland included the recently

privatized Yarrow Shipbnild-

ers, now owned by GEC,

YARD, the Glasgow warship

design consultants, and Racal

Harland estimates Swan's

order book at £400 million and

Swan has been promised the

£120 million contract to build

a Type 23 frigate.

down at 885p.

Insurances, however, benefitted from comment oo recent profits statements. Guardian Royal improved by 39p to 914p, and Sun Alliance strengthened 36p to 749p.

In stores, Woolworth jamped 257p to 890p, well above the offer terms from Dixons, which were rejected by Woolworth as derisory. Dixons surged 66p to 436p.

Speculation that Woolworth may make ao attempt for Harris Queensway saw Harris add 22p to 296p.

Next gained 8p at 293p, ahead of the interim next Tuesday, W H Smith leapt 24p at 362p on speculative demand

Elsewhere, Reckitt and Colman improved by 64p to 900p on profits up 16 per cent and reports of an analysis' meeting after the figures.

### £31m park plan for Sherwood

Europe's biggest operator of holiday village parks, Sporthuis Centrum, is to develop a Sherwood Forest leisure area costing £31 million -and possibly a further five to six holiday villages elsewhere The Sherwood Forest development, due to open in July

By Derek Harris

Industrial Editor

1987, is expected to create 241 full-time jobs with work for another 400 during another construction. If the other leisure developments go ahead an addiuonal

1,200 full-time jobs would be crealed. Six hundred bungalows will be huilt in Sherwood Forest and it is hoped to attract continental holidaymakers as

well as Britons. The decision follows a fiveyear campaign led by the English Tourist Board to interest the Netherlands-based Sporthuis Centrum in moving to Britain. And for the development the tourist board put in its largest grant of £1.5 million.

### Merger agreed

First Security Group has quire for a maximum of £1.4 million the entire issued share capital of Fire Fighting Enterprises (UK) and its

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HANSON BID BETTER BY:

Figures based on the market prices at 5.50pm on Thursday

CONTINUING GROWTH FROM BASIC BUSINESSES. The values of Hanson Prust's and United Bucusto offers depend on their respective share prices. The above offer values are for Hanson Trust's Share and Convertible Stock Election and United Bucusts, Cifer. The offer values take account of estimates by Hoare Covett Lid. of the values at the relevant ordinary share prices, of the 10% convertible loan stock of ost

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Clearly, the investment that we have made in Debenhams is paying off.

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### Setback for Aberdeen Steak

COMPANY NEWS

deen Steak Houses Group for 1985 were £813,000 compared with £954.000 for the 13 months to December 31. 1984. Earnings per share were 3.6p agaiost 3.9p.

The company said yesterday that its trading in the last three months of 1985 was very disappointing. It opened sevhalf, and the extra overheads and rents incurred were not matched by an increase in

The company is opening three more restaurants, and the board says it will be in a better position to report progress at the time o the

anoaul meeting.

TOZER KEMSLEY &
MILLBOURN (HOLDINGS):
Figures in £000. Pretax profit for
1985. 4.401 (5.235). Earnings
per share, basic 2.8p (6.4p). The
group is significantly better
positioned to exploit the sound
underlying strength of its motor. underlying strength of its motor businesses and in resume invest-

· WAYNE KERR: Final Ip. making 1.5 for 1985. Figures in £000. Profit before tax 1.306 (1.103), tax 440 (5531. Earnings per share 8.6p (6.3 Bdjusted). The chairman forecasts another good year for company, with new products planned in all major business

MERIVALE MOORE: Interim dividend Ip. Figures in £000. Pretax profit for the half sear to December 31, 671 (604). iax 230 (238). Earnings per share 3.3p (3.6) adjusted to reflect the share split and capitalization

• R and H HALL: Final dividend 3p. making 4p (3.75) for 1985. Figures in £000. Profit before (ax 1935 (1,449), tax 668 (261). Earnings per share 7.66p

BASE

**LENDING** 

RATES

Adam & Company ...... 114%

Gitibank Savings† ......11.95% Consolidated Crds .......122%

Continential Trust........ 1112%

C, Hoare & Co ......114%

Nat Westminster .......... 1112%

Royal Bank of Scotland ..... 111/2%

Co-operative Bank......

LLoyds Bank .....

† Mortgage Base Rate.

• GOOD RELATIONS GROUP: Mr Anthony Good, the chairman, says in his annual report that after an "eventful and in many ways difficult year", the company has entered this year "with an excellent team across the group, a strong

client base and several oew business gains. I am confident therefore, of a much improved performance in the current year METAL BOX: The Metal Container Corporation, of St Louis, Missouri, has bought the wholly-owned US can-making subsidiary, Metal Box Can, and has entered into a technology assistance agreement. The total payable to Metal Box under the

agreemeots is just over \$41 Pretax profits of Executex Clothes more than trebled in 1985. They were up from £117,000 to £377,300, and earnings per share rose from 5.5p to 167.49p. A final dividend of 2p (nil) is being paid

● EMPIRE STORES (BRAD-• EMPIRE STORES (BRAD-FORD): A final dividend of 3.25p (2p), making 3.75p (2.5p), is payable for the year to January 25. With figures in £000, turnover was 162.801 (156.520), operating profit 6.616 (4.212), interest payable 921 (1.145) jess corn tax genavment (1,145) less corp tax repayment supplement 95 (24). Profit besupplement 95 (24). Front before tax increased by 87 per cent to 5.790 (3.091). Tax amounted to 1.720 (881). Earnings per share were 10.88p (5.97p).

ETAM: Company is to buy the freehold interest of the Barnstable. Devon properties Barnstable, Devon, properties, 34, 35 and 36. High Street and 11a. Joy Street, for £1.585 million cash. It is also to buy the remaining unexpired 77-year term of a 99-year lease for

• WEIR GROUP: A final dividend of 2 125p, making 2.875p (2.5pl is payable for 1985 onMay 23. With figures in £000, turnover totalled 139.768 turnover totalled 139,768 (131.612) and profit before interest and tax (group) 7,654 (5,011) and associated companies 3,745 (3,587), making 11,399 (8,587). Profit before tax 9,034 (6,850). Earnings per share were 12.0p (6.6p) and fully diluted 10.3p (5.6p), shares were at 121, down 2.

MARKETS: A final dividend of MARKETS: A final dividend of 1p, making 1.35p (1.1p adjusted) is payable for the 52 weeks to February 1, (53 weeks). With figures io £000, turnover was 367,987 (336,235), profit before tax 15,701 (11,733). Earnings per share 9.94p (6.92p adjusted). The company incurred a substantial loss of interest due to the development of new stores. Eight new stores.

 have been programmed.
 DRUCK HOLDINGS: Resuits for the six months to December 31 include an interim dividend of 1.8p (1.5p), payable on May 22. With figures in £000, turnover amounted to 4,568 (3,313) and profit before tax 953 (712). Earnings per share were 8.2p (6p). The order book so far tory increase, largely due to the contribution from overseas subsidiaries, and the company subsidiaries, and the company said it was confident of achieving another satisfactory full year. The shares were 390, up 5.

PIONEER CONCRETE (HOLDINGS): Pretax profit for the six months to December 31 was Aus\$90.7 million, up 34 per cent. Earnings per share 15c. Interim dividend 6.25c per share (same). One-for-five boous issue. Profit growth is expected to continue in second

• CAPARO PROPERTIES: No final dividend (0.5p), making 0.2p (0.5) for 1985. Figures in £000. Pretax profit 86 (188) after interest payable 447 (413). Retained loss 699 (profil 49). Earnings per share 0.80p (1.44). Chairman says "very significant increase" in profits is expected this year, and the board contemplates the future with consid

erable confidence.

• INTERNATIONAL IN-COME PROPERTY: Of the 1,878,870 shares offered in onediluted 10.3p (5.6p) shares were at 121, down 2.

• WM MORRISON SUPER- offer price.

offer price.

• MURRAY ELECTRONICS:
No interim dividend. Figures in £000. Pretax revenue for six months to January 31, 288 (276). Tax 110 (123). Earnings per share 0.59p (0.51). The board says that the outlook for the company is now more the company is now more encouraging.

AG Stanley, the decorating specialist, has reported pretax profits of £2.7 million for 1985 against £1.8 million for 1984. Earnings per share were 5.82p (3.45p).

• J.S.D. COMPUTER GROUP INTERNATIONAL: The total dividend for 1985 was 2.1p (1.5p). With figures in £000, turnover amounted 2.1p (1.5p). With figures in £000, turnover amounted to 9.633 (7.097), cost of sales 6.581 (4.926), gross profit 3.052 (2.171), pretax profit 626 (408) and tax 284 (180). Earnings per share were 6.3p (4.2p). The group's maio activity, contract hire to elients of skilled computer personnel, represented 98 per cent of turnover. Overseas trading increased by 60.6 per trading increased by 60.6 per

• JOHNSON, MATTHEY: The sale by Johnson Matthey Bankers of its wholly-owned subsidiary, Hinton Hill Group, to WS Moody Holdings for £5.5

### half. Total Holdings (Australia) is to exercise its rights to acquire 10 per cent of Pioneer. Four directors for Hill Samuel

APPOINTMENTS

Hill Samuel & Co: Mr Leopold Hirsch, Mr Peter Mason. Mr Christopher Oakley and Mr Kevin Wilkinson

have joined the board. Scott Goff Laytoo & Co: Mr N.L. Banszky, Mr J.L. Malthouse and Mr S.W. Oldfield

have become partners. Firth-Derihon: Mr Tony Marsh has been appointed export sales director and Mr Arthur Hogg has become technical director.

Turner and Newall: Mr Ronald Somerville, a director of Turner & Newall, has been made chairman of its subsid-

iary. BIP Chemicals. The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust Abstract of Audited Accounts for the Year Ended 31 December 1985 6,778,838 914,253 7,693,091

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MSL Executive Search: Mr W A Spartin has become chairman, Mr T.R.H. Neame is now managing director, and Mr B J Curnow, Mr L C Koppen and Mr J.O. Ranger

have been appointed directors. Golding Stewart Wrightson: Mr K D Gillies is now chairman. He also joins the board of Stewart Wrightson Ltd and its executive

Price Waterhouse: Mr Richard Watson has become a

Victoria Wine Company: the new managing director is Mr Alan Smith.

Taylor Woodrow Interna-tional: Mr J B (Brian) Bardekin is to join the board. He is replaced as managing director of Teamwork Corp Sdn Bhd and as a director of Teamwork Malaysia Sdn Bhd, related companies of Taylor Woodrow International based in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, by Mr R G (Rod) Franks.
Baring Far East Securities:
Redland: Mr James White
has been made a non-execu-Mr Douglas Atherley, Mr tive director.



Mrs Seem Williams, show has joined the board of Crane as director of business development.

Richard Coons, Mr Douglas Hanney and Mr Trevor Sliwerski have joined the board, Mr Miles J Rivett-Carnac, a managing director of Baring Brothers & Co, has joined the board as a nonexecutive director.

Frizzell International Non-Marine: Mr Peter J Head is now divisional managing director.

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VSEL CONSORTIUM PLC

### £60-100 million employee-led buy-out

including an

Offer for Subscription Lloyds Merchant Bank Limited

to employees and their immediate families and pensioners of Vickers Shipbuilding and Engineering Limited and its subsidiaries

Cammell Laird Shipbuilders Limited and Warship Design Services Limited and to residents of Barrow and Furness and of Birkenhead

The following gave initial commitments to provide out of their own holdings the £1,620,000 of free shares allocated to certain employee applicants under the Offer

Lloyds Merchani Bank Limited

British Aerospace Fensions Funds Trustees Limited Lloyds Investment Managers Limited managed funds Eagle Star Insurance Company Limited Norwich Union Life Insurance Society

First National Boston Limited

Pearl Assurance PLC

Investors in Industry PLC Lloyds Development Capital Limited

Prudential Assurance Company Limited The Trustees of St. George's Pension Fund

Commitments syndicated by Hoare Govett Limited

arranged and managed by Lloyds Merchant Bank Limited



### Council's duty to reconsider grant application

Regina v Hertfordshire County Council, Ex parte Cheung egina v Sefton Metropolitan Borough Council, Ex parte

Pan
Before Sir Juhn Donaldson,
Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice
Neill and Lord Justice

Neill and Lord Justice
Balcombe
[Judgment given March 26]
A local authority who in 1978
had refused to grant a higher
education award on the mistaken assumption that the applicans was not ordinarily
resident, had nevertheless performed their duty under the Act,
which was a duty to consider which was a duty to consider such applications, not necessarily to bestow an award.

But they had a power to reconsider their decision which, on an application in 1983, they had a duty to consider exercising, subject to B discretion governed by the principles of good administration, including the requirement that similar cases should be treated imilarly.

The Court of Appeal so held.

authorities; Mr Jeremy Sullivan, QC and Mr John Steel for the

secretary of state; Mr Konrad Schiemann, QC and Mr Nigel

applicants nevertheless under-

in R v Barnet London Borough Council, Ex parte Shah ([1983]

Pleming for the applicants.

dismissing appeals by the two local authorities and the Secretary of State for Education and Science from the decision of Mr Justice McNeill on July 5, 1985)
(The Times July 15, 1985)
granting Reymond Siu Wah
Cheung and Erie Hoi-Wai Pan their applications for orders of certiorari and mandamus against the authorities.

Mr David Woolley, QC and
Mr Robin Barratt for the local

The authorities refused those applications on the basis of a applications on the bests of a policy suggested by the secretary of state, namely to reconsider only cases where the refusal of the award had been in respect of a course beginning in the academic year 1979/80 or later, save 10 exceptional circumstances.

circumstances. circumstances.

The applicants sought judicial review of both the 1978 and the 1983 decisions. The Court of Appeal (The Times April 2, 1985) on appeal from Mr Justice Glidewell (The Times April 18, 1984), refused leave in respect of the 1978 decision but granted it in respect of that of 1983.

On hearing the substantive

On hearing the substantive application, Mr Justice McNeill application, Mr Justice Methem granted orders of certiorari quashing the local authorities decisions and mandamus directing them to reconsider their decisions according to law.

In so doing, the judge approached the matter on the basis that the Education Act 1962

imposed a duty to bestow awards and that in relation to the applicants that duty had not been discharged. He did not regard the decision of the Court of Appeal to refuse leave to apply for judicial review of the 1978 decisions as any fetter oo his power to quash the

1983 decisions not to review the 1978 decisions and to order a further reconsideration.

Finally, he held that the adoption of the secretary of state's policy to exclude academic years before 1979 from ideration was either ultra recons

vires or unreasonable on the principles of Associated Provin-cial Picture Houses Ltd v THE MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that in 1978, each of the applicants had been refused a higher education award because the local authority concerned had misconstrued the requirement of ordinary residence in section 1(1)(a) of the Education Act 1962. The products prescribeless under Wednesbury Corporation
([1948] 1 KB 223).
Though at first attracted to
the concept that both the 1978
and 1983 decisions were no
more than declarations of intertion not to perform a statutory duty, his Lordship now con-cluded that that was not a took their courses, beginning in the academic year 1978/79. In 1983, as a result of the

Correct analysis.
The Education Act 1962 did not merely impose a duty on authorities to bestow awards,

sentence of one day's impr

applied for a reconsideration of their original applications for a grant.

The authorities referred their control of their original applications for a grant. In determining that the applicants did not qualify, the

plicants did not qualify, the authorities had thus performed their duty, albeit mistakenly.

That was not to say they had no power to reconsider their decisions. It would be strange indeed if a public authority which discovered it had inadvertently denied a citizen a benefit to which he was entitled, could oot correct its error.

Indeed, it would have a duty

could oot correct its error.
Indeed, it would have a duty
to consider doing so, subject to a
discretion as to what action to
take, exercised in accordance
with the requirements of good

On the 1983 decision, his On the 1983 decision, his Lordship could not accept the judge's view that the adoption by the authorities of the secretary of state's policy decision was increasonable in the Wednesbury sense.

Stare decisis was the essence

of good admioistration. If the law was changed or suddenly discovered, it should be applied in its new form thereafter but retrospective application should be subject to some limitation. oe subject to some immitation.

In private law, retrospective action was controlled by the statute of limitation and the doctrine of laches. In public law,

it was controlled (in the absence of express statutory provision) by the exercise of the courts discretion.
Where a test case was in

progress in the public law court, others in the same position as the applicant should not be expected themselves to begin proceedings in order to protect their positions.

That would strain the resources of the court to breaking

point. More importantly, it was a cardinal principle of good public administration that all persons who were in a similar position should be treated Accordingly, they could assume that the result of the test case would be applied to them

without the need for proceedings and if that did not occur, the court would regard that as a complete justification for late application for judicial review. Although in the circumstances of these particular awards the very considerable administrative problems made it reasonable not to reconsider applications which were not similar to those involved in the test case in Shah, the secretary of state and the authorities

of state and the authorities should not have placed the cutoff point where they did.

For, as had emerged during the hearing before their Lordships, while Mr Shah had indeed been a 1979 student, Mr
Akbarali, who was also awarded judicial review in that case, had been a 1978 student. Not only that but his application for that, but his application for judicial review had only been

begun in January 1981. In the present case, the refusal by the Court of Appeal of leave to apply for judicial review of the 1978 decisions undoubtedly

the 1978 accisions indodubledly created a problem.

But like the judge, his Lordship could not believe that the court had ever intended to create an obstacle to another court, on a consideration of the 1983 decision, granting such relief as the applicants might be entitled to on the substance of their complaint, namely that they had been refused grants to which it was now conceded that they had Driginally been

Since the secretary of state's policy was flawed by the error of fact as to the consequences of the Shah decision, it was unnecessary to reach a conclusion as to whether the court should quash the 1978 decision.

Had it been necessary, his Lordship would have quashed the 1983 decision and ordered the authorities to reconsider the applicants' awards. Good public administration required all 1978 students to be treated in the same way as Mr Akbarali. But the judge, albeit for different reasons which, unlike his Lordship's, would have benefited students of 1977 and earlier years, had already mode such an order. In those circumstances, the appeal should be dismissed. Lord Justice Neill and Lord

Justice Balcombe agreed. Solicitors: Mr Michael Scott, Southport; Mr W.J. Church, Hertford: Treasury Solicitor; Bindman & Partners.

### Undesirable that one act might breach orders

Regista v Barnes
Although technically it was lawful to have running at the same time a suspended sentence and a probation order, it was undesirable in that a single branch sight must be a branch breach might result in a breach

of the two orders. Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, sitting with Mr Justice Boreham and Mr Justice Taylor, so stated on March 10 when the Court of Appeal allowed an appeal agaiost sentence by William Thomas Barnes who, following his conviction in Portsmouth Crown Court (Judge Lauriston, QC and a jury) of arson, oo May 24, 1985, was made the subject of a probation order for two years and, in addition, for the breach of a sentence of nine months'

imprisonment suspended for starting point of the two-year two years imposed in Ports-mouth Crown Court on July 27.

If the probation order was

distinction to the circumstances in Rv Tarry ([1970] 2 QB 560), this probation order was intposed to the crown court. namely to the very proceedings in which the suspended sentence Accordingly, the exception in section 13(1) applied and the court was entitled to use its powers under section 23(1), which it had done by varying the

1984 on conviction of motor quashed but a suspended sen-

The Court of Appeal quashed Harris v Sheffield United possibility, in some cases the probation order and passed Football Club Ltd probability, of a breach of the the probation order and passed The provision of police ser rices by a police authority at a football club's ground, with the prime duty of enforcing law and order, was the provision of special police services within the meaning of section 15(1) of the Police Act 1964, so that the chief ment, leaving unchanged the suspended sentence as ex-tended, but imposing a sus-pended sentence supervision

order under section 26(IO) of the Powers of Criminal Courts constable of the anthority was entitled to provide them on condition that they were paid for by the club.

While a police authority had HIS LORDSHIP said that, in

the duty to protect persons and property against crime or threatened crime, particularly threat-ened violent crime, there was no public duty upon it to protect against the mere apprehension of possible crime in the future. see Glasbrook Brothers Ltd v Glamorgan County Council ([1924] 1 KB 879, 890).

At a football match, breaches of the peace were not actually

probability, of a breach of the peace, and the scope and extent of the police services and their impact on the chief constable's manpower resources put them beyond what the football club, in the circumstances, were entitled to have provided in pursuaoce of the chief constable's public duty.

Mr Justice Borcham so held in a reserved judgment in the Queen's Bench Division on March 26 when he allowed the claim of the Maintiff, on behalf of the South Yorkshine Police Authority, against the defen-dants for £51,669, plus interest of £19,810, for police services provided at the defendants football ground at Bramall Lane, Sheffield, between August 14, 1982, and November 13, 1992.

The defendants' counterclaim for sums paid to the authority

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### THE QUESTOR COLUMN

# Biscuits over a barrel

CITY opinion is gradually turning against United Biscuits in its triangular battle for control of Imperial Group.

The 12p jump in United's share price yesterday to 258p said as much. This latest increase has taken the value of the United offer much closer to the level of the Hanson Trust bid, but there is enormous doubt about whether United's present share price would be sustainable if its bid was successful.

United's offer is currently worth 560p per Imperial share while Hanson's is just ahead of that at 369p. But, while Hanson is clearly seeking to buy earnings per share with the purchase of Imperial, United would if successful suffer at least 10 p.c. earnings dilution in its first year. That would surely outweigh any integration benefits that could be gained in the short term by a United Imperial Group.

Crunch day for United is April 11, the final closing day for its offer unless it becomes unconditional. Hanson, on the other hand, can extend its bid to April 29 and it is already claiming around 30 p.c. of Imperial's shares, including purchases and acceptances, compared with the 22 p.c. which United claims.

The Problem for Sir Hector Laing and his team at United is that they have sold the idea of a combined United Imperial so hard that the market can now spot United's own vulnerability to a takeover if its bid fails.

The speculation generated by that is certainly included in the present share price which commands a prospective earnings Multiple of 12.3 times. Without Imperial that rating has perhaps a full point of downside if United's own takeover attractions are being overplayed. With Imperial the short-term downside is even greater.

On a six months view Hanson's shares are more attractive with Imperial than without it; and fully diluted the enlarged group at 180p share is selling at 13.6

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shareholders have just two sensible options. Either they dig in and accept Hanson's offer, which is currently 20p ahead of the present 349p Imperial share price,

or they sell in the market.

If against the odds United was to win the battle investors could always buy into United Imperial at lower prices in a couple of months.

# That's the way the cookie crumbles.

Accept the Hanson offer now. The next closing date of our offer is April 11 at 3pm.

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### A perfect match for investors

A drive has started to establish a national network of business introduction services on the pattern of the marriage bureaux now established in 12 cities and towns.

Essentially it would march investors with new businesses that need capital. But it also offers a chance of achieving "marriages" other than oo the present localized basis, raising the bope of channelling investments from the comparatively affluent south-east to more disadventaged parts of Britain.

A steering committee has been formed to sort out the practical prob-

**Faster food** 

at the push

of a button

By Ian A. Jack Cook-chill food has turned out to be

good business for Jeffrey Fox. a 51-year-old Lancastrian with 25 years in

industriel catering.

His company. Crown Cetering Group based in Newcastle upon Tyne. is

exploiting this new technology in meals

preparation, already serving 17 north-east locations with more 10 come. His

clients range from multinational manu-

be prepared miles eway from the factory or office and whisked by van to the

serving point in insulated containers.

Microwave ovens are then used to beat

service can reduce costs up to 60 per cent on conventional industrial feeding.

A company no longer needs to equip a

canteen. Nor is there need for a large

canteen staff. There are other savings as

Crown Catering was established in the early 1980s because Mr Fox saw that

change and cost reduction would have

to come to the factory kitchen just as it

had come to every other part of the

The company started with two con-

tracts and three staff. Today's sites are

served by radio-equipped vans covering \$0,000 miles a year while the company has a payroll of 30 and an annual turnover of £340,000, Some 20,000 food

items are prepared each week and ferried to clients' premises. Sandwiches with any one of 15 fillings are supplied

All are prepared in Crown's central

kitchens in the ordinary way then go

into a freezer to be reduced in temperature to three degrees above freezing. After that they are transferred to cold stores which hold that

At the point of delivery the canteen

worker checks a label which not only

gives a date coding but the microwave

setting necessary to bring the food back

as well as conventional hot meals.

on energy bills.

factory floor.

temperature.

Mr Fox claims Crown's cook-chill

Cook-chill allows snecks and meals to

It follows a meeting of the areas with a marriage bureau as well as other key local enterprise agencies. It was organized by the London Enterprise Agency (LEntA) whose pioneering marriage bureau has now been running since 1980. Peter Lovell, in charge of venture capital operations at LEotA, says that with the idea of national networking accepted, the question is how to get it up and running. It probably means spon-sorship help and possibly organizing subscription income.

The idea has apparently raised inter-

Freezing the costs: Jeffrey Fox of

Crown Catering

to consumption temperature. The operator puts a meal in the microweve and

punches the correct setting button. Four

sites also have dispensing machines for

All this mey do marvels for

managements' costs but it works only if you serve the right kind of food. We

are not in the business of saving 'Here it

is. Take it or leave it, "explains Mr Fox, "we are in the business of finding out

people's preferences and making sure that what they want is available."

Mr Fox's own background is that in

Southport he joined Marks & Spencer as

a trainee manager but left them because,

paradoxically, they were thinking of coming out of food at that time. After three years in Canada he returned to England to embark on a 25-

year career in catering, most of it in the

north-east where he stayed after meeting

Mr Fox believes the potential to grow

is increasing all the time. He says: "We

are reaching the day when a firm employing 50 people will be considered

quite large." He argues that firms of that

size do not want all the attendant costs

of setting up and staffing their own

the food.

because of the implications for encouraging small businesses, although whether any funding will be forthcoming from Whitehall remains to be seen.

Mr Lovell said: "There is scope for a

national network of business introduc-tion services. It would create a wider market for both investors and companies looking for investment. There is also the likelibood that some of the money from the south-east could be channelled into the needier regions such as the north-east and the south-west. That might be a pious hope but until it is tried out it is hard to say whether it will

### BRIEFING

parties, banks end civil servants. It will be held at the Banqueting House, Whitehall, on April 28 under the banar of Building Tomorrow's Profitable

Those expected include Lord Young, Secretary of State for Employment, his small businesses minister, David Trippier, and Geoffrey Pettie, minister for industry end information technology. Mrs Thatcher has thrown her weight be-

■ A no-charge training course for start-up and young businesses is being organized in the Southand area of Essex by Enterprise Courses with funding from the Manpower Services
Commission. As a course introduction a
one-day workshop will be held on
Monday at the Airport Moat House hote



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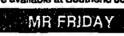
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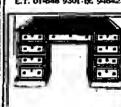
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To consider, and if thought fit, pass the following resolutions:

1. "That the accounts for the year ended 31st December 1985 together with the annexed reports of the Directors and Auditors, be and are hereby received and adopted."

"That Mr. J. D. Hellings, who retires in accordance with Section 129 of the Companies Act 1965, be and is hereby re-appointed a Director of the Company to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting." "That Mr. C. W. Tresise, who retires in accordance with Section 129 of

the Companies Act 1965, be and is hereby re-appointed a Director of the Company to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting." "That Encik Abdullah bin Yusof, who retires in accordance with the

Company's Articles of Association, be and is hereby re-elected a Director of the Company."

"That Messrs. Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., Kuala Lumpur, and Desa, Megat & Co., Ipoh, who are eligible and have given their consent for re-appointment, be and are hereby re-appointed the Company's Auditors for the period until the conclusion of the next Annual General

Meeting and that the remuneration to be paid to them be fixed by the Board.

By Order of the Board. ABDULLAH BIN YUSOF LIEW THONG SIN Secretaries

Ipoh, 2nd April, 1986.

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locked out. "Doo't panic", I reassured my passengers. "Most cars can be opened with a little ingenuity. Start looking for a piece of

When a hurried search drew a blank - not even a fence to raid - my wife suggested trying the workshop at the light-

. Have you ever tried explaining to someone who does. I hesitated some time before not speak a word of your recounting this experience be-language and vice versa that cause of the obvious danger of you are locked out of your car and seeking a piece of wire to slip through the door scal and hopefully lift the release knob? Finally, with the aid of a

graphic mime and a drawing of a wire coathanger on the back of an envelope, we returned to the car armed with a collection of screwdrivers, a

Any hopes I had of inserting the wire to the rubber seal were quickly dispelled by the reluctance of the lighthouse were quickly dispelled by the dealers or the police you could refuctance of the lighthouse easily double that figure. keepers to hand over the tools and the manufacturer's use of course, is not to arm yourself. a particularly close fitting door surround.

still locked out and the women had wandered off in search of something warm. That was when the man in the white shirt appeared. He took charge instantly.

The suggested route through the door seal was quickly roadside assistance teams can-abandoned. He opted instead not enter within a few for a more brutal but much minotes.". more effective method of entry on this particular car. He hours, but do persevere. instructed the lighthouse men to each insert a screwdriver British between the top of the window and the door frame and prise. it open about a quarter of an inch. Then he measured the distance from the top of the window to the release knob and bent his wire accordingly.

But still it defied us. Uotil, that is, the ladies string and suggested fashioning a ruoning ooose at one end. Mr White Shirt's eyes litup. His fingers positively ca- Drive Company. ressed the wire into yet anoth----FF Developments's viscous er shape. This time to serve - coupling design is already in



The 505 GTI, Peugeot's new addition to the Family. only as a guide for the string. use by Ford, VW and Austin Rover and several prototypes

converted to 4 x 4 at Coventry

Stuart Rolt, deputy chair-

the son of the company founder said: "We did similar work for Ford and a number

of others. It is now an impor-

tant part of our business." He

reckons that by the 1990s, US contracts will account for more than half his turnover.

Ever since Pengeot launched their 505 Estate car in the

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of power. The 2 litre, 4 cylinder engine had 10 propel one of the biggest-over 16 feet

long - estates on the market. In

the Family version it has three

rows of seats and copes with

up to eight passengers and

higgage. Now the alert French com-

pany has taken steps to meet

the demand for more power

by installing the 2.2 litre all-alloy, fuel injected unit used in

the 505 GTi salooo for the

benefits from the general wash

and brush op given to the whole 505 range for 1986.

Externally this consists of new

black polypropylene wrap

around bumpers, new lamp clusters and black painted window surrounds to lessen

the top heavy appearance of so

Internally the changes are

more extensive, with a new

dashboard display which is a

model of clarity and common-

sense. But the most impres-

sive change by far is the new

heating and ventilation sys-tem. The old one was always

At the same time the estate

past three years.

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Power

another manufacturer.

A quick yank and the door are being tested in America by

the method of entry getting into the wrong hands. However I decided to go ahead with a few precautions, such as omitting the type and make of car, because of the very large number of motorists who find themselves in a similar position every day.

The AA, for instance, tell

rather frightening hammer me that last year they were pliers and the all important piece of wire.

Any hopes T had of inserting account those who turn to other road organizations, local

with a pocket car break-in kit. but to hide a spare key on the Two hours later we were outside of the car. I do not want 10 identify specific hid-ing places, but a little careful attention will suggest several. If like me you find yourself out oo a limb, don't despair. As the AA said: "There is hardly a car made that our not enter within a few

It may take you a couple of

### Success

American car makers were slower to catch on to the benefits of four wheel drive than their European counterparts, but now they are trying to make up for lost time. The returned carrying a length of result is profitable business for -Coventry based FF Developments, successors to the original Ferguson Four Wheel

more powerful system, feeding more strategically sited vents and controlled by push buttons, now produces rapid changes in temperature.

The 505 GTi Family which appeared in my drive recently for testing had me scratching

It was some time before the penny dropped. The old model had its "bottom in the air" leaving quite a space between the rear wheels and the wheel arches. The new one has lost the gap thanks to a combination of suspension changes including the use of the lower suspension and thicker roll bars of the previous GTi

The new bumpers, alloy wheels and black window surrounds all help to make the estate less-top heavy looking man of FF Developments and and much more attractive.

The big Peugeot really comes into its own when you are looking for the luggage capacity of a van together with the comfort of a well-appointed saloon. Four people setting out for a fortnight's holiday with the intention of playing golf every day, whatever the weather, carry enough clobber to put even a small truck to the

Folding down the third row of seats left such a huge amount of room for suitcases have been bemoaning the lack and clubs that packing was child's play.

> Vital Statistics Model: Paugeot 505 GTi Family Price: 212.295

Engine: 2165cc injected all alloy Performance: 0 to 62 mph 11.2 seconds, maximum speed 108

Official consumption: Urban 23.3 mpg, 56 mph 37.7 mpg and 75 mph 28.2 mpg Length; 16.1 feet insurance; Group 6

But as with all things pleas-

ing there is a price to pay. The standard 505 Family is available for nearly £2,000 less than the GTi's £12,295. Some people may be tempted to go for the cheaper model, expecting its lower powered engine to be more economical. They will be wrong. It is fractionally more sparing oo petrol at a steady 56 mph and also at a steady 75 mph (official government figures), but the much more significant urban cycle shows that the GTi returns 23.3 mpg compared labouring to cope with the with 21.9 mpg.

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off the perch they had pre-viously occupied for four successive seasons. In Scotland, clearly, the old order has been

ROWING

ARA could ask clubs to make up £60,00 shortfall

A special meeting of the Amateur Rowing. Association (ARA) Council has been called for Saturday April 19 to consider the problem of insufficient funding for international rowing. Rumour has it that there is now a shortfall of about £60,000, which the clobs may be asked to make ap—and they will be none too pleased.

on the financial structure before they cough up any shortfall.

So Penny Chuter, the newly appointed director of international rowing, takes up her appointment in difficult circumstances. But it is not all gloom, for prospects of medals in the Commonwealth Games and world championships are good.

Miss Chuter yesterday assumment the command for international rowing. The scular team manwhich the close may be sake at make mp — and they will be none too pleased:

The rowing clubs will find it hard to accept that fands are insafficient, given that British squads may at present be found training in numier climes in Europe and the British men's heavyweight eight are in California preparing for the San Diego Classic. However, the fact of the matter is that existing funding is allocated in such a way that there is sufficient for international heavyweight rowing. The sculor team unusurant there is sufficient for international heavyweight rowing. The women's lightweights will be Mark Lees, from Nottingham of the wing office to the wing office coach of the men's lightweights will be Mark Lees, from Nottingham of the wing office coach is Mike Genchi, Surpristinglam (from August 17 to 24)

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### Britain are facing test of character

From Sidney Friskin, Karachi be put to the test here this succession. afternoon when they meet Paki-stan in the first match of the eighth Champions Trophy tournament. In temperatures approaching900F, the odds must favour the home side, although several games in this eight-day event will be played

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Team Scottish Farm (formerly Airdrie) have won the women's first division. by four points from Provincial Insurance (formerly Telford). That was a re-run of last season, when Team Scottish knocked Telford off the perch they had pre-

Great Britain's tenacity will thewinners for three years in

For one reason or another For one reason or another Australia have come here without four key players—Charlesworth, Nobbs, Walsh and King—while the Dutch will be missing their most resourceful forward, Ronald Heijn, who is injured, and have brought in Patrick Faber from their Under 21-side.

under floodlights.

Britain have no injury problems – oor any stomach upsets – and, having beaten Pakistan 3-2 in Kuwaii earlier this year, hold a psychological advantage over a side that recently lost a series to India. Pakistan's defence is in some disarray because of the absence of Qasim Zia, their stalwart left-back, who is injured.

Patrick Faher from their Under 21-side.

West Germany have lost volked for a road accident, his place in midfield has been taken by Under-21 player. Dirk Brinkmann, India, meanwhile, have dropped Jalaluddin, their superb outside right.

Last evening at the pic-

cause of the absence of Qasim Zia, their stalwart left-back, who is injured.

The speed of Batchelor on the right wing, the sharp shooting of Kerly, the cool authority of Dodds at centre half and the strong arm of Barber at short corners are all factors which should hold Britain in good stead. A team which pride themselves on a tightly controlled defence, their main task will be to curb the centreforward, Hassan Sardar.

All six teams competing in the previous Champions Trophy tournament in Perth, Australia, last Novembei. The Netherlands take oo Australia, Seoul.

lands take oo Australia, Seoul. Intentions made clear

TOGSA. Hill. In spite of the disappointerystwyth the England Under-18s intend to vindicate ing results, three players deserve high praise for their efforts: Denise Pearson, at centre for-ward, Lorraine Hardey, at left half, and Helen Toon, the themselves by retaining the title in the Home Countries schoolgirls tournament (Joyce White-head writes).

Last weekend, in an inter-.sweeper. national tournament in Eind-hoven, they beat France 3-0 and Scotland 3-0 but lost to West Germany 1-2, the Netherlands 1-5 and Wales 0-1 and failed to The England team, under their pseudonym, the Albions, took part in a semi-international tournament in Bilthoven, the Netherlands over Easter Ire-land beat the Albions 2-1 in the win a medal. Unfortunately. Thornalley broke her collarbone final, having knocked Scotland in a collision with her own out of the semi-finals 5-4 on

goalkeeper, and her place will be penalties after a goalless draw.

VOLLEYBALL reign of MIM

By Paul Harrison The long reign of Murray International Metals as Scotland's leading team has ended. The Royal Bank Scottish championship this season has gone to Team Krystal Klear, who led the first division for most of the season as Volvo Trucks but have now changed soonsors.

MIM had won the title for the previous seven seasons, an un-precedented run of success during which time more often than not they have also won the Royal Bank Cup.

Krystal Klear were clear league wioners, losing only one match all season. Some of MIM's leading players, who have served them so well over the season, were on doubt beginning to feel the pace. Two of them Kenny Berten the beginning to feet the pace. I wo of them. Kenny Barton, the setter and a former Scottish captain, and Ronoie Hamilton, the first Scot to gaio 100 caps, were recently dropped from the Scottish squad to play England.

MIM had only two players in that squad, Mackenzie and Stewart, Krystal Klear had three, McKenna, Syme and Thomas. The six new caps brought into the squad were drawn from five other clobs, including one from Team Scottish Farm and two from Bellshill Cardinals, who are establishing themselves as the teams most likely to challenge the two leaders.

JUDO

Krystal end Adams has fight on • his hands By Philip Nicksan

A last-minute decision by Neil Adams, the Olympic silver modallist, to come out of temporary retirement to compete in the British Open on April 12—"for the fun ul it"— has brought him nuexpectedly face to face with Frank Wiesecke, of West Germany, the man who beat him in the final of the Olympic Games.

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Last year it was Adams who went to the West German Open to seek revenge for his Los Angeles defeat — and he duly heat Wienecke in the final. This time it is Wienecke who has come searching for revenge, confident that, at the age of 23, he has the youth and sufficient experience to beard the lion in his own does his own den.

Wienecke is only one of a number of tough opponents Adams, who only two months againnounced a nine-month rest.

announced a nine-month rest from competition in order to review his judo, is likely to face. France has sent Jean-Michel Berthet, the No 2 light middle-weight, and Brett Barron, of the United States, will also be taking part. This changes what was to have been a fairly light-hearted passage for Adams, 27, through to a record ninth British Open title in the 21st year of the through to a record ninth British Open title in the 21st year of the premier British domestic event. Instead, he will have a real battle on his hands; one in which no quarter will he gives. Wienecke himself has been ingood form this year, winning both the West German Open and the Paris multi-natious tournament. His form shows his competitive sharoness, while competitive sharpness, while Adams has not fought since the European team championships

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THE TIMES FRIDAY APRIL 4 1986

# make Beau Ranger's short shock win augurs well for West Tip

Dawn Run and an inspired had his right ground all season." Thorne said, "but I had a lot of trouble getting the winning combination togeth-Cup on good going at Aintree yesterday. Wayward Lad finisticd strongly to be beaten only a length and a half with Very Promising a remote

and.
The departure of the Cheltenham Gold Cup winner from the scene was as sudden as it was surprising. "She put in too quick a stride and broke the groundrail," John O'Neill said. The hero of Cheltenham escaped unburt and was passed fit to ride Emo Forever in the next race. ...

Beau Ranger, winner of the Kenoedy Construction Gold Cup at Cheitenham and also of the Chesters Handicap on Brad should have got on with this track last season, had it and not hung about so finished runner-up to West much He's a good jockey and Tip, the Grand National he's ridden some brilliant favourite, at Newbury on soft races for us. But I think he

rivals a blistering gallop. but to races at Chepstow,
The moment of truth came Haydock Park and, of course, at the third fence from home. yesterday. set sail for home. Graham Bradley drove Wayward Lad for all he was worth but the Gold Cup runner-up's stamina came into play too late to

in the bandicap on Saturday and, would you believe it. Hywel wanted to go and ride at Taumton instead."

"Bean Ranger was always going a good clip," Davies said. I first stepped up the pace in the back straight. I steadied it up on the final bend but when I heard Way ward Lad hit the open disch, four out, I went for everything That was grand, but I'd certaioly like a lot of rain before. Saturday for Last

That stern critic, Monica Dickinson, was inclined to blame her jockey. "I reckon Brad should have got on with ground last time out. But here, bowliog along on his favourite surface. John Thorne's eight-year-old was sooo setting his not referring to the Gold Cup but to races at Chepstow, Hendock Park and, of course,

Beau Ranger hit the jump but The jockey was quick to lost no momentum as Davies defend himself. "I suppose I might have takeo him on earlier," he said. "But Way-ward Lad does nothing quickly and the winner just had the legs off us early in the straight." Wayward Lad will



Beao Ranger clears the last on his way to a surprise success in the Whitbread Gold Label Chase (Photograph: Ian Stewart) oow be retired for the season. Tim Thomson Jones on rode 46 winners as a jockey

but Dawn Run will be seen in Bright Oassis to win by a oeck. and trained 26 winners in action at Gowran Park in Fifteen of the 22 starters Ireland. I had the first past the completed the course. "The ground is perfect,"
Dunwoody said. "It may be a

3.45 R E A BOTT FOX HUNTERS CHASE (Amateurs: £5,721; 2m 5f)

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K Smith 3-2 Venture To Cognec, 11-2 Poyntz Pass, 6-1 City Boy, 6-1 Passes Cash, 9-1

Eliogenty, 10-1 Fearbling Buck, 12-1 Gale Prince, Lone Solder, Rosemist, King Spruce, FORM: City BOY (12-3) word 15 front Missier Bosun (11-)0) with RAMBLING BUCK (11-10) 3nd beatlers 856, 15-rac, Leiflew 3nd hun of sold 15-bit 5-cash (11-17) 2nd beatlers 15-bit 5-bit 5-bit 5-bit 5-bit 5-bit 5-bit 5-bit 6-bit 6-bit 7-bit 6-bit 6-bit 7-bit 6-bit 7-bit 7-bit 7-bit 7-bit 7-bit 6-bit 7-bit 7-b

Liverpool selections

By Mandarin

2.0 The Argonaut, 2.35 Marauzi, 3.10 Dark Raven, 3.45 CITY
BOY (nap), 4.20 Brunton Park, 4.50 Kino.

By Michael Scely

2.0 Pearlyman, 3.10 Brunico, 3.45 VENTURE TO COGNAC (nap).

4.20 SPORTING LIFE WEEKENDER HANDICAP CHASE (25,160: 3rt

7-4 Bruston Park, 3-1 Observe, 4-1 Singatong Sam, 6-1 Golden Friend, FORMS OBSERVE (12-0) 6th beaten 44/4 to Davin Run (11-6) 11 ran. Cheltenhum Gold Cup 3m 2f chi good Mar 13. ERURTON PARK (11-7) 4th beaten 7t to Cherter Party (19-10) with GOLDEN FRIEND (10-11) 5th, 18 ran. Cheltenhum Sm 11 hrosp ch good Mar 10. Golden State (10-4) beaten 11/4 to Ballymian (11-0) 18 ran. Newbury 3m 2f hrosp ch good Mar 21. SINGALONG SAM (10-0) won 3f from Miss Mayo (10-0) 11 ran. Kelso 3m 7trap ch good Mar 21. SINGALONG SAM (10-0) won 3f from Miss Mayo (10-0) 11 ran. Kelso 3m 7trap ch good Mar 21. SINGALONG SAM (10-0) won 3f from Miss Mayo (10-0) 11 ran. Kelso 3m 7trap ch good Mar 21. SINGALONG SAM (10-0) won 3f from Miss Mayo (10-0) 11 ran. Kelso 3m 7trap ch good Mar 21.

4.50 BBC RADIO MERSEYSIDE NOVICE HANDICAP HURDLE (23,704: 2m 41 110yd) (20)

3-1 St Colone, 4-1 Blind Surn, 9-2 Dryfsheed, 6-1 Master Bob, 7-1 Frenchman Fancy, 8-1 Kitto, 10-1 Tenzing, 12-1 Kacesh, Grenville Park, Crox de Guerre,

(nap).
Brian Beer's selection: 3.45 City Boy.

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405 20-12 GMLA PRINCE (D Bell) B Amystage 9-12-0 MB 407 102-000 JACKO (P Netrolson) D Nicholson 14-12-0 MB 0000F9 JUST A GHOST (Nieu S French Mrs J French 19-12-0 MRS 9-27/100 GMRS 9-2

Not only did supporters of West Tip for the National receive encouragement from Beau Ranger's victory, they also had the satisfaction of watching the favourne's jockey, Richard Dunwoody, gain his first victory over the National fences on Glenrue in the Whitbread Trophy Chase.

May. -:

After making every yard of try for Terry Casey. "I moved the running, the 22-year-old to Adstone near Towcester Ulsterman first fought off the last November. Before that I challenge of Phil Tuck on was head lad to Paddy Mullins Preben Fur and then resisted and then I trained on the the dramatic late attacks of Curragh for four seasons, I

fearless punter, Terry

bit on the soft side of good, but disqualified as his jockey it will be just right for West wrongly claimed the appren-Tip. You've got to be encouraged after Bean Ranger, but maybe he was a bit flattered." tice allowance." Jenoy Pitman is still pray-This was an all-Irish victory as Glenrue's win was the first training success in this coun-

ing for rain for Corbiere, but the Lambourn trainer's magnificent run of success continued when she landed a 55-I dooble by wiooiog the Whitbread Best Scotch Novices' Hurdle with I Bin Zaidooo and the Whitbread Best Mild Chase with

post when Shrewd Operator

wnn at Leicester in January

but he he was subsequently

Ramsden, who is also the proud proprietor of Mr Snugfit. In an exciting finish I Bin Zaidoon and Graham McCourt just got the better of the favourite. River Ceiriog, but Riva Rose, Mrs Pitman's other runner, was always struggling .

-Although Rive Rose has won his last four races, I thought he might be struggling a hit on this sharp track." Mrs Pitman said. "I Bin Zaidoon is a real pro and I knew be'd nip round the bends so I told Mr Ramsden that he might give everyone a shock. I hope he

### Slick City Boy to give encore in Foxhunters

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Aintree loday before the banquet

Twelve months ago this coveted prize was won by the experienced amalenr. Tim Thousan Jones, riding CITY BOY. Now I map the same partnership to emulate Spartan Missile (John Thorne) and Credit Call (Joey Newton) and become only the third combination to win the race twice since

days ago when he won the open race at the Fitzwilliam Hunt point-to-point by four lengths in the fastest time of the day. So he will not fall for want of fitness. Earlier in the year, before the freeze, he had shown that he was as good as ever by winning a hunter chase at Ludlow. On that occasion be had Rambling Buck nearly nine lengths back in

When he was successful 12 months ago, City Boy also beat Peace Clash who was sub-sequently disqualified and placed fourth. Now the hard core of the opposition comprises Eliogarty, who ran well against Border Burg at Ludlow recently. and Venture To Cognac, who disappointed in the Foxhunters at Cheltenham where he started

Thomson Jones also has a chance of winning the BBC Radio Merseyside Novices' hurdle on the recent Nortingham winner, Dryfehead, but I just prefer Peter Schdamore's mount, KITTO, who ran well in the Sun Alliance Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham. Before that he had won over a distance only slightly shorter than that of today's race at Huntingdon.

With 20 hopefuls standing to win the valuable Glenlivet lbeir ground overnight, the R.E.A. Bott Foxhanters Chase, run over a full circuit of the success at the Cheltenham Grand National course, looks Festival recently when he won the Daily Express Triumph Hardle from the fast-finishing

On 4th better terms, the latter has a great chance on paper of getting his revenge. However, I do not think that he jamps well enough yet to win a race of this nature. His fallibility over hurdles was the reason be got so far behind, not only at Cheltenham but at Sandown before that, and now he has no final hill to help him.

City Boy warmed up for the So I am looking to the Irish tank in the best possible way 13 challenger, DARK RAVEN, to extend his unbeaten record. A stable companion of Son Of Ivor, who was beaten only threequarters of a length and a short head by Solar Cloud and Brunico at Cheltenham, Dark Raven may strip fresher than those who were involved in that hard struggle at Cheltenham. From Lambourn, I can pass on encouragement for both Baby

Sigh and Sterne from the stables Sign and Sterne from the stantes of Nicky Henderson and Stan Mellor. They too are fit and fresh and lightly-raced. The Woodland Stud Chase looks a particularly hard race to nuravel. On a line through Charcoal Wally, Music Be Magic has a favourite's chance of beating Pearlyman, who did so well for a beginner to wia 2

handicap as competitive as the Grand Annual at Cheltenham. At the same meeting, though Music Be Magic ruined hi impressive record over fences by the prevailing ground, I wonder whether either of the top weights will manage the concession of 10th to the Queen Mother's progressive New Zealand-bred eight-year-old, THE ARGO-NAUT, who seems to be going from streagth to strength and will relish this ground.

### LIVERPOOL

BBC Televised: BBC1: 2.35, 3.10. BBC2: 3.45, 4.20. Geing: good to soft (National course); good (hurdise, Mildmay)

2.8 WOODLAND STUD NOVICE CHASE (E5.348: 2m) (10 runners) | 102 F-17141 | PEARLYMANID | Mark P Shake J A Edwards 7-11-13 | Trimmers |
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119	2.35 TATTERSALLS NOVICE CHASE HANDICAP (Mares: E6,037: 2m							

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FORM: BANKOW BURN (10-10) 3rd beaten 28 to Jon's Penny (10-13) 13 ran. Newbastle in 40 row of good Mar 15. MARKANZ (10-0) war of Gallan (10-0) 13 ran. Newbastle in 10 ran. Huntingdon 29 40 YOU's undested, earlier (11-1) won-81 ron Duratel (11-2) 10 ran. Huntingdon 29 40 YOU's undested, earlier (11-1) won-81 ron Duratel (11-2) 10 ran. Huntingdon 29 40 YOU's undested, earlier (11-1) won-81 ron Duratel (11-2) 10 ran. Huntingdon 29 40 YOU's undested, earlier (11-1) won-81 ron Duratel (11-2) 10 ran. Huntingdon 29 40 YOU's undested Alex 22 SEPALONG (10-11) 3rd beaten 61 to Jonison (11-2) 12 ran. Wolverhampton 2m 47 nov th good to 8rm May 17 CHEED (11-1) 2nd beaten 81 to Markey Eyes (10-7) 16 ran. Stratiford 22 nov-rd. soft Fob 1. EVERING SOME (11-1) 2nd beaten 61 to Conta (11-6) 10 ran. Limplied 2m conta to soft Mar 14. Presectes 1865 [11-1) 3rd beaten 151 to Conta (11-6) 10 ran. Limplied 2m conta to soft Mar 14. Presectes 1865 [11-1) 3rd beaten 151 to Conta (11-6) 10 ran. Limplied 2m conta to soft Mar 14. Presectes 1865 [11-1) 3rd beaten 151 to Conta (11-6) 10 ran. Limplied 2m conta to soft Mar 14. Presectes 1865 [11-1) 3rd beaten 151 to Conta (11-6) 10 ran. Limplied 2m conta to soft Mar 14. Presectes 1865 [11-1) 3rd beaten 151 to Conta (11-6) 10 ran. Limplied 2m conta to soft Mar 14. Presectes 1865 [11-1] 3rd beaten 151 to Conta (11-6) 10 ran. Soft Marssanger (10-0) 13 ran. Softward 2m 110 yd h cop ch soft Mar 25.

3.10 GLENLIVET HURDLE (4-Y-O: £19,275: 2m) (16)

GLENLIVET HURDLE (4-Y-O: E19,275: 2nt) (16)
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I Rese 9-4 Brunico, 7-2 Soler Cloud, 6-1 Derk Raven, 6-1 Sterne, Raretylo, That's Your Lot, Watford Glep, 16-1 others. Baby Sigh, 12-1

FORSE: SOLAR CLOUD (11-0) was '31 from SRUNGCO (11-0) who finished very first, MOME COUNTY (11-0) 4th 101, and YALE (11-0) 6th beaten 1534, 25 can. Chelterinam 2th hide good Mar 13. 8ABY SRIGHT (10-7) was 4, from Mars (3rt (10-2) 15 ran. Bangor 2th nov hide good Mar 22. COLORES: JAMES (10-12) ran on well closs, 5th to My Dominion nov hide good Mar 22. COLORES: JAMES (10-12) ran on well closs, 5th to My Dominion (10-9) 23 ran, Newbury 2th hise good Mar 22. BARK (RAVEN) (11-0) von 41 from Abbyr (3an (10-11)) ran, Lapparistown 2th hide good feb 17. RAMETYLO (19-8) was 3 from Skylane (10-10) ran, News 2th hises phile good feb 17. RAMETYLO (10-0) was 3 from Skylane (10-10) 48 fran, News 2th hises phile good to soft Mar 3.5TERME(11-0) was 18 from Chemis Price (11-0) 7 are. Lappained 2th hide soft hide good to soft Mar 1. STERME(11-0) was 18 from 11-0 and 11-0 a clien: BRURECO - SOLAR CLOUD (each way)

Lowe in form | Taunton results

Handicap.
Craggs, aged 19, showed that
he is a youngster with a future by
swooping in the last 3D yards on
Christmas. Holly '10' gives
Saltburn-by-the-Sea trainer;
Mary Reveley, her first winner
of the season.

Lowe in Tofin

with double

Jehn Lowe maintained his good start to the season with a double; at Hamilton Park yesterday oo Forcello and Idle Times.

Lowe used forcing tactics on Forcello in the Holytown Maide States which all the Holytown Maide States which all the Holytown Maide States which all the Holytown CSF 231.08, Lowe used forcing tactics on Forcello in the Holytown Maiden Stakes, making all the running to beat Bantel Bushy by 10 lengths. The winner runs in the colours of the British Thoroughbred Racing and Breeding Ltd.

Trevor Bishop, racing Manager for the company, said: "We now have 12 horses, spread among several trainers. Forcello will now run in the Spa Water Stakes at Ripon."

Sieve Norton, the winning trainer, said: "He cost \$55,000 as a foal, but was later picked up for 5,000 guiness. There are \$.000 shareholders in the winning company.

Bill Elsey, whose stable is in great form he sent out K-Battery to win the Lincoln with Lowe in the saddle - watched his idle Times take the lead: a furlong out to land the Middleward Handicap Graham Crages powered thome the first winner of his career on Christmas Holly in the Auchinraith Apprentice Handicap.

Crages, aged 19, showed that he is a youngster with a future by swooping in the last 50 yards out swo

29.54.

5.6 (20) 1] Orl 1 ENERGISE (P. Richards, 12-1); 2, Wanner Fox Leisure (H. Earnshaw, 11-4; 3, Ten. Bears (A. Machwick, 14-4). ALSO RAN: 9-4 law Ring-Lou 4th, 7-2 Alexars 1; 13-2 Royal Casino, 25-1 Grims 5th, 33-1 Capvista pu, Black Earl 6th, 9 ran. NR: Rostra, 2, 9, rk, 71, 31, C. Popijam at Bridgwater. Toles (10-4b; 22-10, 21, 80, 22-70, DP: 225-90, CSP 1/42-84 Tiches; 2/428-25.

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Hamilton Park

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4.15 (80 1, TARANGA (R Cochrane, 5-4

22.40. DF: 53.70. CSF 55.46.

4.45 (07) 1, TDLE TIMES (J. LOWS, 70-7);
2, Shahocata; (A. Mackey, 10-1); 3, Vin Salestine (S. Whoword; 5-1). ALSO RANK 4-1 fav Bube Boy (60), 5-1 Bay Bezzer (40), 6-1 Romegae Day, 6-1 Marry Magnice, Velow Bear (5th), 14-1 Period, 20-1 Trade High, 10 man, 5, nk, 3, 81, nd, C W Essey at Resion, Tota: 55.80; 62.10, 62.20, 23.50. DF: 227.80. CSF: 594.72 Tricas: 5510.56.
Placaget \$280.00

Derek Haydn Jones, who landed a double on the Flat at

Total - 65.70. £1.10. E4.10. £2.30. DF: jockey Michael Williams.

2.45 (im ft) 1, PORCELLO (J Lowe 46 tay); 2, Bainer Bushy (N Carlisle, 14-1); 3.
Poca-boce (G Baster, 9-1); A1.30 RNNt 13-2 Grand Calebration (48th, 6-1 Rnlt Andrews); 2, Bainer Bushy (N Carlisle, 14-1); 3.
Golden Boy, Preply Ametring, 6 ran. 10, 9.
3. 41, 51. Shortman at High Hoyless, Total 23. 51, 50, 19-1 C3F £10.35.

3. 44, 51. Shortman at High Hoyless, Total 23. 51, 51, 00, 22.70. NR Parkes Special. 22.70. DF: 22-10. C3F £10.35.

3. 44, 61m 40yd) 1, BANTEL BONNERY (J Campan, 6-1); 2, Sweet German (J H Grown, 7-2; 3, Hernale Bit N Darky, 7-1), ALSO RARt 3-1 lay Constant (46th, 4-1 datoms 5th), 6-1 (Sillenthone (88t) B ran. 128, 8, 5, 5, 10, 6-1 (Sillenthone (88t) B ran. 128, 8, 5, 7, rds. Mae 4 Best at Hawlet, Total 25.00, £2.10. £2.50. IIP: £7.80. C3F £22.85. Winner was busing to yet to be for the first of the first of

### Liverpool

**Results from** 

2.0 WHETEREAD BEST SCOTCH HOVICE HURDLE (25,836: 2m) BM ZAEDOON b n by Demasce Chervek (T Remeden) 5 11 0 G McCourt (14-1) Microsoft (14-1)
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J O'Nett (16-1) J O'Nell (16-1)
ALSO RAN: 9-2 Rive Rose (6th), 17-2
Jasper, 14-7 The Clown (4th), 16-7 Zuto,
Rustone (5th), 22-1 Lutie Sloop, 33-1
Dominate, 50-1 Tinemou, 86-1 Sicato, 100-1
Eastly Emblem, Hoticole (18th), Kiranger,
Rezor Sharp, Bernan Lady (5th) 77 ran,
41, 141, 82, 1141, 100, 1414, J Parman at Upper
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27-80, 21.50, 53.10, DF: £23.20, CSF:
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2.35 WHITEREAD GOLD LABEL CHASE (88,204: 3m 1/) MEAU RANGER ch q by Beau Chapeau Sand Martin (Whee Bros Ltd) BTT 5 H Devices (40-1) Wayward Lad br g by Royal Highway -Lougharmore (Mrs 5 Thewiss) 11 11 13 G Bradley (13-8) Very Promising br g by The Parson - No Hisch (Mrs J Maunders) B 11 9 P Scurtamore (8-1) ALSO RAN: 6-11 fav Dawn Run (161,1st), 4 rst. 11/1, dect. J Thorne at Bridgwitter, Tote: E14 20, DF: £10,40, GSF.: £32,44

3.10 WHITERREAD PALE ALE KANDI-CAP HURDLE (25.524: 2m 5i 110yd) ISHROMANN b g by Filchus - Irova (J Speiring) 7 10 9 G McCourt (11-1) 1 Ceitic Tirse chig by Ceitic Cone - Old Brief (Mrs R Demmer) 9 9 18 C Cox (16-1) 2 amelody ch g by True Song

(Ars M Thome) B10 3 8 Smith-Eccles (7-3 ALSO RAN: 6-1 ji-fav Saltor's Dence, a Chryssor, 7-1 Cate Eyes (Str), 6-1 Emo Forever, Southerneir (pu), 16-1 Loctobisciale, Tigbosz, 25-1 America, Codide Hay, 33-1 Some Machine, Highland Gold (6th), 14 ram. 6, 5, 11, nk. 6, 3 Spearing at Alcester, Totie vert. 212.10, Places: 13.10, 53.20, 22.80. DF: 539.10. CSF: £147.27, TRICAST: £1,181.25.

2.45 WHITEREAD TROPHY HANDICAP CHASE (\*10.352.2m 6f) GLENRIE ch g by Carnival Night - Naomie (H McClelland) 9 18 2 B Durwoody (20-1)

(H McCledand) 9 10 2 B Durwoody (20-1) 1 Bright Cessis b g by Laurence O - Brass Penny (Lt Cot E Prillips) 10 10 4 Mr T Thomson Jones (11-1) 2 Ran To Na b g by Clear River - Joyfut Tears (Mithrale) 11 10 5 B Powel (3-1) 3 Preben For b g by Mon Capitaine - Pasthag Beeusy (W Pascock) 9 10 0 P Tuck (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 9 10 0 P Tuck (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 9 10 0 P Tuck (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 9 10 0 P Tuck (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 9 10 0 P Tuck (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 9 10 0 P Tuck (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 9 10 0 P Tuck (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 10 Pascock (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 10 Pascock (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pascock) 10 Pascock (6-1 k-hzv) 4 Pa

4.20 WHITEREAD BEST MILD NOVICE CHASE (\$5,033: 3m 1) STEARSBY or g by Politico - Lucky Sprite (T Ramsden ) 7 11 6 G Bradley (11-4) 1 (T Remsden ) 7 11 6 G Bradley (11-6) 1
The Lengtoins Dyer br g by Crash Course
Self Ariste
(Edmburgh Woollen) 7 11 3 R Lemb (12-18
Streeds Of Geld b g by Le Cog d'Or Sweet Farmy (Twine Marif) 7 11 6 M
Dwyler (15-6 lav)

ALSO RAN: 5-1 Cross Master (5th. 19-1
Byrannpour, 12-1 Fudge Delight (6el), 141 King Jo (4th.) 25-1 Unice Scoble (bu), 231 Royal Set (pu), 1001 Conchrave, Valley
Justice (6th.) 11 ran, 11/4, 3; 6; 15, 10.
Mrs J Planten at Upper Lembourn, Toter
15.40, Places: £1.80, £2.60, £1.30, DF:
£47.60, CSP, £32.39.

4.50 CHESTERS HANDICAP CHASE (64.900: 2m 4f)

(\$3.90£2m 47)
PIFTY DOLLARS MORE big by Deep Run-Stansations (Shelich Al Abu Khem-ein) 11 11 8 S Sherwood (7-1)
Polers Laddle chig by Allowey Lad -Poler Lass (R Goldle) 13 10 8 Storey (\$3-1)
The Charlet Stone big by Du (SS-1)

The County Stone big by Califlaume Tell-Mile Cross (Mrs. A Taylor) 9:10 2 K. Mooney (6-1)

ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Hazy Sunset (ur), 4-1 Karsnomore (5th), 7-1 Voice of Progress (est), 10-1 Direct Line (4th), 20-1 State Case (pu), Stray Shotjur Birst, 1xt, 31.12. reported. If Winter at Lambourn, Tots with 25-1 Research 12-10, 24-20, 21-20, DF-253.BU, CSP: £145.90-1 Jackspot: bot wise. Piscapot: £4,817.75

Course specialists LIVERPOOL TRAINERS: F Webyn, 9 winers from 27 numers, 33.3%; G Richards, 6 from 33, 18.2%; Mrs M Dickinson, 7 from 36, 17.9%; JOCKEVS: 8 Beggen, 3 winers from 7 ndes, 42.9%; K Meoney, 2 from 10, 20.0%; D Browne, 2 from 12, 16.7%.

DEVON & EXETER DEVON & EACH CO. TRAINERS: F Winter: 14 winners from 33 runners, 43.7%; D Esseorth, 19 from 61, 31.7%; J Jankins 20 from 98, 20.4%; JOCKEYS: R Annott, 9 winners from 25 nose, 34.6%; H Davies, 27 from 114, 23.7%; S Powell, 12 from 80, 15.0%. SEDGEFIELD

TRABLERS: Mrs M Dictinsort, 22 womers from 70 runners, 31.4%; M H Easterby, 19 10 0320 APRPAL CONQUEST (SF) R After 7-10-0in. S Counters 170, 16.5%.

10 0320 APRPAL CONQUEST (SF) R After 7-10-0in. S Counters from 71, 26.8%; Dennys Smith, 28 from 11, 0485 TURRER 5 MI (D) T Congress 17-10-0in S Counters from 71, 26.8%; Dick S Counters from 110 rices, 15.4%; R Lamb, 26 from 186, 45.0%; M Bernes, 9 from 136, 6.5%.

### **DEVON & EXETER**

Going: good to soft

2.15 HALDON MOOR NOVICE KURDLE (E744: 2m 16) (18)

1 1003 POSE'S CASTLE K W Durn 5-12-0. S MacDonald (7):
2 3301 MASTER CAMERON (2-0) T B Hallen 6-12-0. B Wright
6 6/TP MANDYMOUSS P J Hobbs 5-11-9. Prefer Hobbs
4 301 GENERALISE G Thomer 4-11-6. H Devise
5 0001 SEXTON ASH (B) J O'Subten 4-11-6. H Devise
5 0001 SEXTON ASH (B) J O'Subten 4-11-6. H Devise
(6):
14 FP EN GORNAS THEER'S C Dodge 5-11-4 R Devise (6):
15 0 FAARIS B J O'Zirby 5-11-4. Mr C Brooks (7):
16 2200 ALCIZZY P D INsyras 5-11-4. Mr C Brooks (7):
17 0401 MASTY GAMBLE F T Writer 9-11-4. Mr C Brooks (7):
18 2200 ALCIZZY P D INsyras 6-11-4. Mr Colves
23 3 FRINCE Y HERR R J Hobbs 5-11-4. Mr Colves
24 07 QAMER BINWAY S W Hay 5-16-13. S EL Harvey (7):
25 3004 LOBLOLLY Mrs. A Frich 6-19-13. S EL Harvey (7):
26 3005 LOBLOLLY Mrs. A Frich 6-19-13. S McMellell
26 07 WOODLANDS ANGEL 11 C Tuctor 5-16-13. S McMellell
27 30 RAZZLE DATER (8) P A Princhard 4-10-10. D Chim (7):
40 033 LINE AST (8) J Permit 4-16-10. A Carroll
47 033 LINE AST (8) J Permit 4-16-10. A Carroll
48 19 S RAZZLE BOX W R Wilsens 4-19-10. R Despire
48 19 S RAZZLE HOX W R Wilsens 4-19-10. R Despire
49 Carrolling, 4-1-Hassty Garmble, 6-1 Pracery Holt, 6-1 7.2 Generalise, 4-1-Hesty Gamble, 6-1 Precely Helt, 6-1 Mark, Master Cameron, 10-1 Sexton Astr. Phys Tarquin, Indymosase, Jacusza, 14-1-others.

Devon-selections

2.15 Master Cameron, 2.45 Deep And Even, 3.20 Polar Sunset. 3.50 Happy Cash. 4.20 Midnight Soog. 4.50 Marrellino.

2.45 HALDON MOOR NOVICE HURDLE (£765: 2m 5 P4 BUST CONSIDERER (ISA/O Sterwood7 P400 PL794G LESSON (B) K C Belley 6-11-4
9 0 P400 GENERAL OPTION B Vern 5-11-4
13 P0 RFLMAGAR W E Fether 6-11-4
14 M Richards
15 000 MR CHRMAN (B) P R Hedges 5-11-4
20 P0LAR GLAR R J Hodges 5-11-4
21 A Richards
22 946 RYVERSTELD PARK J S King 5-11-4
23 000 WHSKLY TIME J R Jacks 5-11-4
24 LIMEDA Mrs A Tucksr 5-16-13
25 000 HANDY LANE L G Kernerd 5-16-13
26 000 HANDY LANE L G Kernerd 5-16-13
27 BOO HANDY LANE L G Kernerd 5-16-13
28 P00 BESSEE MARY A SOLICH 6-19-13
29 ROO HANDY LANE L G Kernerd 5-16-13
20 000 HANDY LANE L G Kernerd 5-16-13
20 000 RALEIGH GAZZELE W D Turner 4-10-5
20 STELLA ALPINA M Stephens 4-10-5
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3.20 EBF DEVON & EXETER NOVICE CHASE (£1,909: 3m 1f) (15)

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S 1-47 POLAR SUNSET T A Forster 9-11-12' H Davies
10 PP00 BARTON BOY K W Dunn 6-11-5 S May
12 -P00 BROOKS LAW II Bloomfaid 11-11-5 L Bloomfaid (4)
18 6706 FTZHERBERT (8) L G Kennard 8-11-5 B Powell
20 F4F0 PLYING GEORDIE J H Cobden 9-11-5 B Whight
27 102F JURILEE LIGHTS (BIF) P A Principard 9-11-5 II Crition (7)
31 -330 PHARADHYS OWN J H Rater P-11-5 Mr L Harvey (7)
35 0400 RELMORE II Kinderstey 6-11-5 M Richards
36 0409 ROADMANT J Smith 7-11-5 Mr G Maundrell

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### Going: good to soft 1.55 HASWELLNOVICE HURDLE (£548: 2m 4f) (17 runnners)

4 0009 BLACKWELL BOY (B) A James 5-11-0 KRyes (7)
8 0/8 DAYID'S TREASURE R Fisher 9-11-0 P Dever
9 0002 FEROUS W A Stephenson 7-11-0 P Dever
10 000- RELICANDS J Forgoratio 5-11-0 J A Lends
10 000- RELICANDS J Forgoratio 5-11-0 R O'Classy
11 -9/3 LACIDARI J Hornson 5-11-0 R O'Classy
12 3993 LUCKY FEN (3) C Tricker 6-11-0 R O'Classy
13 0000 MAGICAL MOMENT IN Byroth 6-11-0 P A Ferral (4):
15 D440 PADDY NAYTON S LestOrger 5-11-0 K Jones 5-2 Edozien, 3-1 Lacider, 5-1 Dynadee, 11-2 Lucky Fen, 6-1 Paddy Hayton, 7-1 Dend's Treasure, 6-1 Folly, 10-1 others.

### Sedgefield selections - By Mandarin

1.55 Edozien. 2.30 Gowan House. 3.0 Just Alick. 3.30 Randomly. 4.0 Jonlani. 4.30 Sea Bed. 5.0 2.30 HAMSTERLEY NOVICE CHASE (£1,024: 2m

41) (10)
3 035F GOWAN HOUSE (SF) W A Septenson 7-11-9 R Lamb
6 -0FP BEAU NEOL E Robson 7-11-1 T G Dan
7 0P10 80STON LAD R Woodhouse 5-11-1 III Bennes
15 MONAS SART A Rownes 6-11-1 III Bennes
17 2P-P PRINCE SOL V Thompson 7-11-1 K Jones
19 03-0 STEEL VENTURE MIS M Delanson 7-11-1 K Jones
25 MAYERDALE NIS C CORK 7-10-10 M Pepper
28 4F/0 HORTHSDE J H JONESON 10-16-10 M Pepper
29 -000 PERFECT MAGE W SIDTS 5-10-10 11-4 Boston Lad. 7-2 Gowan House, 4-1 Perfect Image, 8-1 Steet Venture, 6-1 Prince Sot, 10-1 Northsule, 12-1 Beeu, Nidol, 14-1 others.

3.0 SHOTTON HANDICAP CHASE (£1932: 2m) (9) 2 1010 TARN (C-0) T Tats 5-12-1
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3 4972 JUST ALLOK (DYSF) M H Easterby 7-11-5 A Brown
4 3011 BORDER KNACHT (C-0) J Halance 11-11-0 R Lands
5 12PP NEWGROVE LAD (b) F Cart 11-16-12 S Peopler
8 -010 SASKT-MURN (3) (C-0) Mrs D Cultum 12-10-3
9 2300 KNORED Roy Thompson
19-19-1 Jayres Thompson
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10 0320 APRIPAL CONDUST (SP) R Alten 7-10-0 S Caustion11 048F TURRES JM (p) T Currengham
7-10-08F S Caustingham (7) 4-6 Poter Sunset, 11-2 Pharaon's Own, 5-1 Jubilee Light: Fitzherbert, 12-1 Retmore, 14-1 Khatti Hawk, 15-1 others

3.50 HAWKINS NOVICE SELLING HURDLE (4-y-o: £461: 2m 11) (14)

9-4 Happy Cash, 7-2 Alcazaba, 9-2 Foraver Mo, 6-1 Wm Lad, 16-1 Terf, 12-1 Dening Ace, Eastern Laughter, 16-1 oth

4.20 MASTER SMUDGE HANDICAP CHASE

7 4SP2 BICALERSH BRIDGE (C-D)BF) J C HODERS
10 1333 BIBANGHT SONG T Forster 11-11-1 ... H Davies
10 1300 LEGATE J A DIG 9-19-13 ... Mr G Johnson-Houghton
11 0000 BARDINS CWEM MITS S Divine 9-19-10 ... R Hyest
14 0000 MARRINA STAR IB) O O'Norl 7-10-8 ... J Sethern
15 329 ROYAL POTION D A Pasmisin 11-10-5 ... J Sethern
16 7224 SECABIT (BF) W G Turner 7-10-4 ... Peter Hobbs
18 7420 TUBOR ROAD L G Kennard 11-10-0 ... George Krispitt
21 3000 OLIVER HARDOY MITS & Warning 11-10-0 ... J Robson (7)
23 0332 THE FLOORLAYER J H Baker 8-10-0. Mr L Narvey (7)
24 0000 BE INY LIKE R J HOOGES 8-10-0 ... Mr P MISCENSI
25 4-UD DOUBLE BARREL W McKenzer-Coles 16-10-0 ... — 26 0003 SOURFE TRELAWNY (8) P J Hobbs 9-10-0 Plais P Hobbs
7-2 Midnight Sons, 4-1 Megablt, 5-1 Tudor Road, 6-1 Fire

7-2 Midnight Song, 4-1 Megabit, 5-1 Tudor Road, 6-1 Fire Drill, Gemeralok 9-1, Bickleigh Bridge, 19-1 Legate, 12-1 The Floorlayer, 14-1 others.

4.50 MRS & MRS T & M K LATHAM HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,940: 2m 1f) (18)

3.30 SPENNYMOOR NOVICE CHASE (£1024: 3rm

5-2 Randomly, 3-1 Ardesee, 11-2 Prince Bai, 9-1 Mr Spot, Beaverboy, 9-1 Gamewood, 12-1 others. 4.0 HAMSTERLEY NOVICE CHASE (£1,024: 2m 4f)

1 PP4F AMOTMER FLAME V Thompson 9-11-9
2 2F12 FERGY POSTER (BF) W A Supplement 9-11-9. R Leads
4 -011 JOMANN (0) Mrs M Dickinson 7-11-9. R Earnshew
13 -00F LOCHAR BRIG J Helsens 7-11-1. R Earnshew
13 -00F LOCHAR BRIG J Helsens 7-11-1. R Charlen
14 6344 MENALUST R Johnson 16-11-1. R P Johnson (7)
16 42F0. BROSSY COMES W A Supplement 7-11-1.
19 3004 SHOOLER PRINCE F Watson 9-11-1.
30 00(0 SALEANDER MISS M Banson 16-16-10. 11-4 Joient, 7-2 Fergy Foster, 9-2 Shooler Prince, 5-1 Another Fleme, 6-1 Menaist, 6-1 Saleender, 12-1 others.

4.30 HASWELL NOVICE HURDLE (£548: 2m 4f) 2 -601 SHELMORE BOY (D) Mrs J Barr 6-11-10...
3 4303 ANOTHER GEAR W A Stopherson 6-11-0...
4 000 CAPERSON J H Johnson 8-11-0 ...
0 JASTOMCAT E Meserine 5-11-0 ...
7 OF03 JAY ELLE THAW A SCOT 6-11-0 ...
9 0 MANASOTA KEY R Fisher 5-11-0 ...

3-1 Jay Ette Thaw, 7-2 Shatmore Boy. 5-1 See Bed, 13-2 Dorego, 7-1 Another Gear, 6-1 Caperson, 10-1 Mark's Choice. 14-1 others.

5.6 WITTON HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,242: 2m) (14) 4 9400 NEWMARKET SAUSAGE (C-D) G Moore 5-11-9 W Hammond

5 6-10 FEFDOM (C-D) W Storey 6-11-5 ... K Teelan 7 0000 BILLOV (C)(D) Derya Smith 5-11-3 ... D Thompson (7) 11 0000 SHARP SONG (D) T Fairhurst 5-19-13 .... C Fairhurst 13 F000 CM MAI (B) (D) J Notron 6-16-11 ... Mr 9 Woods (7) 14 40-0 FELXSTOWE LAD (C-D) J H Johnson 15 2212 DOWEGIAN (D) M Bowter 9-10-11 7-16-11 S Charlton 10 F004 SPECIAL SETTLEMENT (D) R Alban 5-10-8 D Condell (7) 17 3000 THE CIDER AND BUN W Survey 6-10-7 C Howkins 10 0-00 COMMETOR (D) O Yeoman 7-16-7 C Howkins 18 0010 PRICEOFLOVE (D) D Mothart 6-16-7 C Pindott 21 1919 MATELOT (D) Naughton 4-10-5 C Pindott 21 0-00 WNYTERS PLEASIFE MS 17 Cultum 5-10-0 C Pindott 25 0P04 JARALL J Mitchell 6-10-0

# Europe's most

### unlikely final becomes a possibility

Anderlecht's precarious first-leg advantage for the difficult Goteborg stifle journey to Bucharest, has stop you playing. raised the extraordinary possi-bility of a Swedish-Romanian meeting in next month's Euro-pean Cup final.

Goteborg against Steama Bucharest in Seville on May 7 would be a final to induce suicidal overtones in the minds of UEFA's treasurers. Yet one feels we should at last be grateful that European football is producing shocks on the field rather than on the

Barcelona arrived home at five o'clock yesterday morning, crestfallen over their 3-0 first-leg defeat. Terry Venables's assistant manager. Allan Harris, was magnani-mous in his summing up: "We can offer excuses about missing key players and playing on disgrace of a pitch in

But I believe we have to hold up our hands and say we were beaten by a very good side. We couldn't watch them contacts like Alex Ferguson (the Scotland manager) told us they were good."

Two men caught Harris's eye: the Göteborg forwards, Ekstrom and Nilsson. He said: 2in. They have tight control. are strong and Ekstrom is like Boloni.

John Ryan, the new caretaker-nanager of Maidstone United,

faces a severe test of his abilities over the next month. The Kent

club, Gola League champions two seasons ago, are only four points clear of the relegation

zone and have just six games left, fewer than any of the teams

Ryan, the cluh's first-team coach, has replaced Barry Fry, who was told by Jim Thompson, the chairman, after Monday's 4-

2 defeat at home to Stafford Rangers that he was being relieved of his responsibilities for team affairs. He was asked to

Little has gone right this season for Fry, who joined Maidstone 15 months ago from

Barnet. His squad has been depleted by a succession of

injuries and he can remember

only one occasion - the 4-2 win at Telford United a month ago

Graham Roberts, the Tutten-ham Hotspur defender, was

yesterday given another two-match ban, his thirteenth suspension in the last five

seasons. He will miss Tottenham's League game at

Leicester tomorrow and next

Saturday's visit to Luton. An FA

disciplinary commission also fined him £100.

Alan Devonshire, the West Ham midfield player, whn has been suffering from a back strain and a thigh injury, hopes to return for West Ham United's next match, at home to Southampton on Tuesday.

Southampton on Tuesday.

available for selection.

decided to resign.

Barcelona's curious collapse lightning off the mark. They in Gotehorg. allied to say he is worth £1 million and

"Goteborg stifle you and stop you playing. And they give nothing away at the back." Harris believes Larssen is good enough to walk into any English first division side. "Overall, Goteborg have great technical ability and awareness," he said.

Venables himself commented: "Goteborg are an excellent team, but we made it too easy for them. We still have a chance in the return."

Barcelona's Schuster, normally their inspiration, was anonymous; Archibald, absent through injury, was missed and may not be fit for the second leg. But Goteborg's quality shone through. "We won't give up and if we score early in the second leg, Goteborg will be put to a severe test." Harris added. "But if they get past us, I believe they will be European champions."

That opinion was reinof the other semi-final in Brussels. Even the Anderlecht before the match because of coach, Arie Haan, pondered the Swedish winter break. But long and hard over his post-contacts like Alex Ferguson match Chablis and whispered: "It is miraculous we are in this some new players."

Steaua played composed football for an hour, but One is 6ft 3in, the other 6ft squandered two excellent 2in. They have tight control, chances, which both fell to

first game of the season, seven were injured last Saturday and

it's been like that almost every week in between," Fry said, "I've fielded 50 players this

season through sheer necessity. I'm never usually one to com-plain about luck, but

everything's been against us."
Ryan, who was dismissed as manager of Cambridge United last year, began his career at Maidstone before going on to make more than 500 Football

League appearances for eight different clubs. He has husiness interests in Maidstone and re-

With Dartford and Barrow

looking clear favourites to go down, at least six clubs are trying to avoid the third relega-tion place. Nuncaton Borough,

Dagenham and Wycombe

rapidly running out of games.

joined the club last year.

Ryan faces severe

test of his ability

Non-League football by Paul Newman

Two-match ban Cloughs put for Roberts England first

### Hodge has the chance to have the last laugh

Hodge: A workaholic who knows where he belongs

The unfortunate injury in Neville Southall forces Everton to rely on their reserve goal-keeper, Bobby Minnus, in tomorrow's FA Cup semi-final at Villa Park, Hawever, the

FOOTBALL: BARCELONA OFFER NO EXCUSES AFTER IMPRESSIVE GÖTEBORG DISPLAY

at Villa Park. However, the presence of Martin Hodge, their furmer third-choice goalkeeper, between the Sheffield Wednesday posts may prove an even greater threat to their ambitious of reaching Wembley for a third consecutive year than the absence of their own Nn 1.

It would be ironic if Hodge proves to be an impassable barrier. For the last time Everton lost a semi-final, to West Ham in 1980, Hodge, then a highly promising 21-year-old with only a handful of first division games behind him, played in goal. An Evertoo supporter as a boy in Southport, he signed on at Goodison after making an early mark at Plymmark at Plymma making an early mark at Plymouth, in a move he described as "the highlight of my career, a little boy's dream come true." little boy's dream come true."

After 25 league games and that Cup semi-final appearance, which passed by the youngster in a hlur, the rentity proved less eachanting. A series of injuries set him back and after two chest operations he was in hospital having a third operation, this time on his kneecap, when Howard Kendall replaced Gordon Lee as the Everton its manner. don Lee as the Everton manager.
By the time Hodge had reca-perated, Kendall had signed Jim Arnold and Neville Southall,

Wanderers appear to have the most difficult fixtures, but both "and I was No 3, so I could see Maidstone and Northwich Vic-There followed a series of loans to Preston, Oldham, Gillingham and Preston again, before finally, in August 1983, Hodge was asked to go to Sheffield Wednesday, who had just signed Ian Hesford, the England under-21 goalkeeper. Initially refuctant to go on loan yet again, Hodge succumbed to Howard Wilkinson's personsion. It was bad news for Hesford. Given an immediate chance Hodge grabbed it with There followed a series of Brian Clough has agreed to release his son, Nigel, for England's UEFA Under-21 Championship semi-final first leg against Italy in Pisa oext Wednesday, even though Nottingham Firest have a first division excels with Avenal at

sion match with Arsenal at chance Hodge grabbed it with division match with Arsenal at Highbury the previous night. SQUAR: Il Seamen (Briminghem Cdy). P Sucking (Covertry Csy). N Thomas (Luton Town). Butterworth (Notinghem Forest). G Meablest (Totsenham Hotspur). A May (Manchester Chy), N Pickering (Covertry Cdy), G Stevens (Tottenham Hotspur). G Parter (Hall Chy). S Barter (Blacktum Hovers). N Clough (Notinghem Forest). P Rideout (Bari). P Simpson (Manchester Chy), N Adams (Stoke), R Lee (Chartton Allights). both hands. A month later his transfer was made permanent, since when he has been an ever-present, a mainstay of Wednesday's rise from the second division to their current position among the lead-ing teams in the first. He harbours no grudges against Everton, saying modestly that

Southall is "the best gnalkeeper I've ever come across. I doubt if I'd have made the second team by now if I had stayed there, so they did me a favour letting me go." But those setbacks after his early success have sharpened

his determination.
"I don't want to be scrapping "I don't want to be scrapping and scraping at Preston or Oldham again, with no disrespect to those cinhs," he said.
"And I will keep working to make sure I don't have to. In goalkeeping terms I'm still young, the sight of players like Jennings, Parkes and Clemence is encouraging and I can think of nothing better than playing first division football at 35 for Sheffield Wodnesday".

field Wednesday".
Hodge is quick to pay tribute to the help he has received from Wednesday's goalkeeper coach, Alan Hodgkinson, but his own appetite for work and self-improvement is notable. Wednesday's hard training has provoked some mockery, but Hodge thrives on it.

An ambassador for the game

"What could be nicer than going out for a run in the beautiful Derhyshire countryside?" he asked. "It is hard work and it does hurt. I'm no Seb Coe, I struggle along at the back, but get as much enjoyment out of it as I do pain. People say goalkeepers don't need to ran, but I have got more spring from my legs now because of the runs and the work np and down the Kop."

Wednesday are equally Wednesday are equally pleased with Hodge's contribution. "He has improved dramatically since he came here," says
Wilkinson, who recently appointed Hodge captain, "And he
goes on improving. He is a
workaholic. The way he is going
I can see him playing into his
late thirlies if he steers clear of I can see him playing into his late thirties if he steers clear of

injuries.

He is a model employee, conscientious and hard working. Off the field he sets a terrific example and is an ambassador for the game. He does a lot of work for charity and acts as our social accretary, organising the others to make hospital visits. It Such feelings are dispelled by

Hodge's sharp, Merseyside hu-mour. When Southall stripped off his jersey in the Charity Shield to reveal a t-shirt claim-ing "I love my wife", Hodge saw his opportunity. After Everton's visit to Hillsborough a few weeks later he followed suit to reveal his own t-shirt, which proclaimed "I love Nev's wife

However, that humour, says Wilkinson "disappears fairly quickly if he makes a mistake or quickly if he makes a mistake or anyone messes him about". But at 6ft Zin and 13½ stones, Hodge is rarely messed about, nor does he make many mis-takes. Aged 27, he has emerged as one of the domestic game's constantion and hearth with outstanding goalkeepers, with commanding presence, excellent positional sense, and considerable agility. He is also brave to a fault, as he demonstrated in the lifth round tie at Derby when he made a series of thrilling saves while suffering from con-cussion after fulling on his head on the frozen pitch.

The blow's after effects left

him feeling sick and shaken for two weeks, but he was back in his place three days later revelling in a physical encounter with Luton's raw-bound forward,

In many countries Hedge would be an automatic choice for the national side. Unfortunately which Bobby Robson, the En-gland manager, is spoilt for choice, and Hodge says: "I think I would have got the call by now if I were going to get it."

Wilkinson sympathises with Roisson's dileman: "I believe Peter Shilton is the best English goalkeeper, but I think there are four or five just behind him who are very difficult to separate. I would say that Martin is one of them."

Others would go farther, believing that Hodge is a sounder choice than both Bailey and Woods, the carrent back-up goalkeepers in Robson's squad. If he thwarts Everton's eager forwards tomorrow, there will be more to support his claim.

**Peter Ball** 

### Scottish consistency a real threat to Cup favourites

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Even in the context of 22 and Bath, the two clabs who have dominated the English scene over the last seven years, both in terms of the John Player Special Cup and their massive contributions to the national

Their meeting in the Cup semi-linals tomorrow has fairly cast a shadow over the other game, obviously of equal signifi-cance, between Wasps and Lon-don Scottish.

Waspa, too, have had their share of glory these last three years without quite fulfilling their potential. But what of Scottish? Unconsidered by many, largely neglected these days by their national selectors, yet with a consistent record in yet with a comment the Cup over six seasons.

Leicester had a very masty time beating them in 1981 before reaching their third successive final. Scottish were in the semi-finals two years later, were quarter-finalists in 1984 and here they are again, pushing for another appearance in the final to go with that of 1974 when they lost to Coventry.

What is remarkable is that, since 1984, their playing person-nel has changed drastically. Of the side who lost to Nottingham in the quarter-final two years ago, only two backs. Stuart Irvine and Andy Cushing, and two forwards, Jeremy Campbell-Lamerton and Jerry Macklin,

form full back to centre.

Also playing in that game was Alastair Mchiarg, now their coach. "Wa are in the semi-fusals again because we have worked very hard and developed an excellent team spirit," he said this week. "The Wilsons, the Mchiargs, the Biggars — all internationals — have long gone and our style is changing.

"When I took the job of coach I felt it would take about five years to change the style of play we have had for a long time. Over the period I have been at the club we have always had internationals in the side, players who could turn a game or influence it to a degree.

"Now there are no stars and we have to work out how we are more."

we have to work out how we are going to win games, be more organized and more efficient, competing with the regularly good teams, the Baths, Coventrys, Gloucesters and Leicesters on a 15-man basis. A win over Gloucester in the quarterfinal gave as a lot of satisfaction, even though it was spoiled by certain reports afterwards which suggested Gloucester were robbed. we have to work out how we are

problems, certain weaknesses, and we are trying to overcome them, lay down our assets and make the most of them. The combination in the forwards is

Schoolboys help

lift the gloom

Those backs now include Gavin Hastings, the Watsonians and Cambridge University full back. whose impact on Section's fortunes this season has been an overt. He injured the Scotland's fortunes this season has been so great. He joined the Scotlish after Christmas and MicHarg recognizes his import: "He is one of those guys who are a bit special. He is an excellent all-round footballer. His importance is not confisied to goal his limit though he has binded pertance is not confined to goal kicking, though he has kicked some big goals for Scotland and one or two for us,"

In fact, Irvine remains the In fact, Irvine remains the club's primary goal kicker, though the choice remains with Macklin, the captain, on the day. And if Scottish come through against Wasps they will suddenly be involved in a flurry of extra games, because they tend to give April over to sevens. Yet they will need to maintain 15-a-side fitness if they are to appear at Twickenham in the final on April 26.

In that respect it is with the string that Scottish play far somes than many clubs. fewer games than many clubs. They have 30 scheduled fixthrey have 30 schemics invitures, several of which were affected by the weather, so their record reads: won 18, drawn one, lost six. This in itself must help form and will surely by the envy of those clubs whose players face between 40 and 50 games a season, with additional represeptative or charity calls thrown in Quality, not quantity, is what

### **Bath still** have worries

By David Hands

After generous and prolonged support of schools' rugby union, Phillips Petroleum is to end their sponsorship after the current season an and order the current season and and order the current season and prolonged the right wing, ran in a memorable try. injury problems sufficiently to put a representative side out against Leicester in their John Pinyer Special Cup semi-final at Welford Road tomorrow,

their sponsorship after the currather over-ambitious stand-off rent season, an undoubted blow to the Rugby Football Schools in each half and Pilgrim kicked a Union. The fact that the National Westminster Bank is reviewing their sponsorship of Colts rugby also makes somewhat daunting news.

Away from the problems, however, Wednesday's meeting between the England and Ireland 18 group at the Nottingwhat daunting news.

Away from the problems, however, Wednesday's meeting between the England and Ireland 18 group at the Nottingham Club, Beeston, was a warm and enigrable occasion.

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The engineers of touring were illustrated by the successful England's Grammar School. Having beaten Jersey Youth 30-victory, scoring a goal, a try and a penalty to two penalties. England had wriggled out of But when that game was candefeat last weekend against celled another was arranged at short notice against Southamplate try by Young. Pilgrim, their talented full back, accounted for

talented full back, accounted for England's other points with five penalties and it was be who split Ireland's defence with a powerful early hurst that made a try for Underwood, which the full back converted. The next flash of inspiration followed immediately after the interval when

### Saracens surprise

Dave Catchpole, who scored three tries for Saraceas in their. 68-12 victory over Northern on Monday, has been dropped by the north London club for tomorrow's home game against London Irish. Alex Keay, the club captain, returns to the back row in place of Catchpole after spending last weekend with the Barbarians on their Easter tour of Meles.

of Wales.

John Buckton, a centre, and Chris Roberts, a prop. also return in place of Mark Williams and Chris Wright. But consolation for Catchpole, Williams and Wright will come on Sunday when they line up for Saracens along with the rest of the club's second team in the Middlesex Cup final against Wasps at Southgate. Saracens owe their first appearance in the final for five seasons to their second team, who have represented. second team, who have repre-sented them in every round this

Moseley make one change

from the side that gained their best win of the season in beating Llanelli 43-4 on Easter Monday for Saturday's game with Gloucester at The Reddings. The prop forward, Linnett, who plays for England Under-23 team against Spain at Twickenham next week, is replaced by

McGee.
Their full back, Smith will miss Gloucester's attempt to record the double over the Midlanders, Smith dislocated a shoulder during Gloucester's protection. victory over Headingley on Monday and is unlikely to play for a formight. Breeze, the wing. who scored Gloucester's two winning tries in January against Moseley, has a knee injury, while Mogg, their centre, is recovering from a dead leg.

Cheltenham make three changes for their south west merit table game with Plymouth. Threir No 8, Smith, standoff half Keezan, and Garcia

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unavailable as he has been since mid-February when he broke his thumb in the Calcutta Cup match. He is in light training but has not played since then. Trick, who showed against Bristol 12, the weekend that be has recovered his zest for the game, is not available on the wing because of an ankle injury. There have also been doubts

though they may be crossing their fingers that back injuries sustained by Egerton and Spurrell do not prove

Hall, the flanker, remains unavailable as he has been since

surrounding Chilcott, England's loose bead prop, who has been playing with a bruised skull over the last month. However he, like from a fitness test and will be hoping to help Bath to their third successive final.

Rosslyn Park, one of the few London clubs to have a full April, introduce McBain, the Durham University and Dur-ham County flanker, against Bridgend at Roehampton to-morrow. The student has had a

successful reprsentative season in northern rugby and will hope to help Park maio record against Welsh clubs the season, though Bridgend demo-ished a weakened Cardiff on Wednesday by 30-3.
The Park lead the London Merit Table at the moment and will be watching anxiously to see whether their closest rivals can

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overtake them in the final weeks of the season. They are also girding their loins for a hectic sevens round, fielding teams in three tournaments this Sunday. Bristol have dropped the for-mer England stand-off half Hor-ton from their side to play Harlequins at the Stoop Me-morial Ground. His place goes to Tainton and Bristol move Morley into the centre in place

CLUS MATCHES: Bridgend 30, Caroff 3; Clifton 9, South Wates Police 15; Neath 10, Maesteg 12.

### **WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS**

EUROPEAN CUP: Semi-finate, first leg; Anderischt 1, Steaus Bucharest 0; Göte-borg 3, Beroalona. CUP WINGERS' CUP: Semi-finate, first leg; Aléboo Madrid 1, Bayer Uerdingen 0; Dynamo Klev 3, Dukta Prague 0; UEFA CUP: Sami-finate, first leg; Cologne 4, Waregem 0; Inter-Milan 3, Real Madrid 1. West Ham United 1. SECOND DIVISION: Bradford City 3, Fulliam 1; Brighton 1, Okham Athelic 1. THRD DIVISION: Derlington 2, Wolverhampton Wenderrea 1. SCOTTISH PREMIER DIVISION: Celtic 2, Targeton 1.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Avesbury 1. R5 Southampton 1: Corby 1. Cheimsford 3. Mildlend division: Britgnorth 1, Wellingborough 1; Coventry Sporting 1. Forest Green 0, Southern division: Cambridge City 2. Ruislip 0; Corintina 6, Sheppey 1. VALIXHALL OPEL-LEAGUE: First division: Aveley 1, Oxford City 3; Frinchiey 4, Leathsrhead 1; Tilbury 2, Leytonstone/liford 2. Second division south: Flackwell Heath 2, Newbury 3.

CAPITAL LEAGUE: Wycombe 3, Gilling-ham 1. CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Aston Villa 0, Manchester City 2: Blackburn 1, Everton 0: Newcastle 1, West Bromwich Albion 0. Second division: Botton 0, Wigan Athletic 2; Dorusster 2, Coventry 2: Middlestrough 2, Scunthorpe 1; Preston 1, Sunderland 3.

MULTIPART LEAGUE: Burton 2, Chorley 1; Marrie J, Witton 1. NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE CUP. Semi-final, first log: Macclesfield 0, Hyde 1 (aet; score after 90min 0-0). DRYBROUGHS NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Brandon 4. Bärghem Synthonia 2: Writby 2. Blängham Town 1; Spennymoor 1, Ferryhill 3: Peteries 3, Tow Law 2.

**TODAY'S FIXTURES** Kick-off 7,30 unless stated Third division Gillingham v Rotherham (8.0)

Colchester v Chester Exeter v Rochdale Halifex v Stockport Scunthorps v Preston Southend v Torquay (7.45) Tranmers v Northampton FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Ipswich v Bristol Rovers (2.0); Luton v Swindon

OTHER SPORT GOUP: Ladies London Foursomes (at Rochford Hundred GC): Central England Open Men's Foursomes (at Woodhall Spe).

### **RUGBY LEAGUE** Breakaway danger diminishes

By Keith Macklin

The threat of a breakaway by 12 leading clubs has virtually disappeared. A special meeting of the Rugby League Council will meet next week in rubberstamp a management commit-tee proposal awarding greater voting rights to first division

The proposal, which requires only a simple majority at next week's meeting, will give two votes in first division clubs and one to second division clubs. This was one of the main

areas of contention with the 12 who threatened to form a super league. The other concerns the distribution of sponsorship, televising and other monies, and this will also be resolved through consultation with the

Fulham have been saved from going into liquidation by a London-based consortium and

 Warrington last night transfer listed their Great Britain scrum half Andy Gregory at £120,000 at his own request. Gregory recently lost his place to the teenager Paul Bishop.

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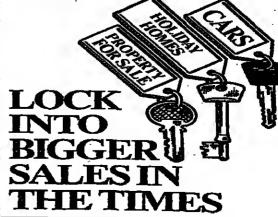
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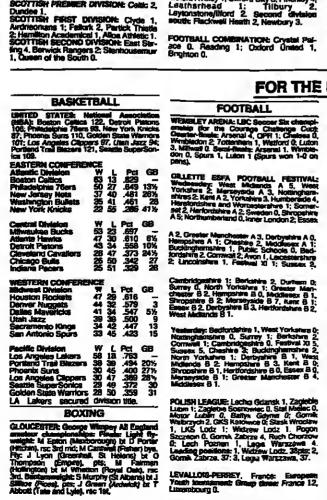
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Although Doncaster - who have debts of £150,000 - are due to go into liquidation at the end of this month, the idea behind the move is to form a new company from what re-mains of the old, and to continue with second division rugby at Doncaster next season.

will now complete all their second division fixtures for this season, starting with Sunday's home game against Doncaster.

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Titchmarsh answers your gardening questions on 01 811 1066. Roland Rat's Easter Extravaganza; the Superstar's actress guest is Nerys Hughes. First item: Lassie left in charge of a sick old man'e dear donkey; can the wonderdog ward off wild enimals? (r) 9.45 Why don't you ...? with an irish steel band. 10.15 Jackanory (r). 10.30 Play School about boxes and

scrioor about boxes and wrappings. 10.50 Ceefax News after Moon with Richard Whitmore and Moira Stuart. 12.55 Regional News and weather. Pebble Mill at One Peter Sashrook visits the Stoke 4 3 3 1.00 Seabrook visits the Stoke on Trent national garden festival. Numbers 10 and 11 Pebble Mill Street demonstrate gardens which look good all year round. Also health expert Leslie Kenton on storms. hot water sources and electric pylons which might be damaging us. 1.45 King Rollo (r). 1.50 Bric-a-Brac (r). 2.00

2.20 Racing from Aintree; 2.35
Tattersalls Mares' Chase and 3.10 The Glenlivet hurdle. 3.25 Cestax. 3.52
Regional News.
Lay on Five with Floelia Senjamin and Howard Lee Baths Lay on Five with Floella Senjamin and Howard Lee (r). 4.10 Heathcliff - the Cat in Milk Run Mayhem (r). 4.25 Jackanory Thora. Hird tells more about My. Naughty Little Sister. 4.35 Secrets Out: the 'pupils' of Grange Hill School gutz sceleptive and entleasure to WOM 172 celebrity and endeavour to unmask viewers' unusual hobbies. 5.05 Seaview begins a six part comedy series by Chris

Barlas, in which the mums apparently want to put their little treasures on the stage (r). 5.35 The. nes Social husbands lack the social graces for the Ambassador's Ball but s spell in charm school might do the trick.

6.00 News with Nicholas
Witchell and Andrew Harvey, Weather, 6.35 Regional magazinea 7.00 Wogan braves the

fumes in a pavement caff at Shepherds Bush this evening, Guests: Jimmy Young, Google Withers, Johnny, Earl of Dumfries and Andrew Ridgeley talk of their passion for racing and there's music from 7.35 I've Got a Secret quiz with Jan Leeming, Derek ... Jameson, Anneka Rice and Barry Cryer, guest Lonnie Donegan and Harrow Cleansing

Department.
8.10 The Colbys Sable
(Stephanie Beacham)
raises a well-plucked eyebrow for a Matisse at auction in New York (Ceefax). 9.00 News with John Humphrys

and Frances Coverdale. Regional news and weekend weather. 9.30 Wynne and Penkovsky

Repeated three part dramatic recreation of Greville Wynne's real life esplonage story - David Calder and Christopher esponage story - David Calder and Christopher Rozycki play the title roles; the British businessman establishes contact with (Ceefax) (r)

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10.20 Film: And Hope to Die
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accused of killing gypsy
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12.25 Weather

TV-AM 6.15 Good Morning Britain News at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30 and 9.00. Weather at 6.28, 6.58, 7.28, 8.28 and 8.58, Sport: 6.35 and 7.34. Cartoon: 7.24. Pop video: 7.54. 9.00 Wacaday. ITV

9.25 Themes News headlines followed by Natural Roots about the forests and lakes of North America. 10.00 The Prizewinners Dramatization of the Ric of Dramatization of the life of

Alfred Nobel, merchant of death, as he was known.
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9.00 Ceefax 12.30 Open University Caring for Older People: Widowhood 12.55 Start up 11.00 BMX Best last chance before tomorrow's finals. 11.30 About British Jim Easton goes to the farnous Perth bull sales. 12.00 Benny on the Best Benny helps to chase a thief. 12.10 Rainbow The Showoffs. Vince Hill sings with Rod, Jene and Freddy. 12.30 Witters on Writing Tony Harrison, poet and dramatist, in conversation with Richard Hoggart about his your own Business.
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suicide bring David Weatherly to investigate 5.25 News (subtities) weather 1.00 News at One, FTIndex. 1.20 Thames News.
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3.00 Mr and Mrs Three married couples attempt to prove their mind-reading ability or is it the unity of their views? 3.30 Sons and

4.00 Reinbow (r).4.15 James the cart Cooking lessons. 4.25 Emu's Pink Windmill Show Rod and Emu answer another celebrity's knock at the door. 5.15 quiz show. 5.45 Nows

6.00 The Six O'Clock Show Michael Aspel with Danny Baker, Andy Price and Gary Wilmot.

7.00 People do the Funniest Things Jeremy Beadle presents clips of people and even dogs caught in unexpected postures by hidden cameras. Amongs the caught-out are Citia Black and Burt Reynolds. 7.35 Murder She Wrote Angela Lansbury plays Jessica, giving lectures in creative

writing to female prisoners. 8.30 That's my Boy last in series of family comedy; Molie Sugden plays Ida. whose brother Wilfred is homeless after storm damage and there's lonely Miss Parfitt.

9.00 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet No Sex.Please, We're . Brickies, conversion work and a lady called Chatterley arrives apparently in search of a gardener.

(Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten 10.30 The London Programme
Death of a Hell'e Angel.
Previously banned edition
about the Hell's Angel who cied after a fight with police last summer, adapted to take account of

new evidence and the inquest verdict. Includes two reconstructions, using 11.00 South of Watford Jim Whiting makes the moving parts for prize-whining pop videos and Sting's latest film about Dr

Frankenstein. 11.30 Shoot Pool! 19 year old Rob McKenna from Wa

Essex.
12.30 Hawaii Five-O Adventures with police chief Steve McGarrett (r)
1.20 Night Thoughts



Peter Ustinov: Men Hawk: on Chang ael 4 at 11.30pm BBC 2

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routing out the funny bits in the BBC film archives.

tomorrow's fences in the REA Bott Foxhunters

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McDonald takes advice from Virginia Wade to

improve his tennis, Anneka Rice goes caving

and Stan Boardman goes

9.30 One Man and his Dog

Bobby Henderson and

Craig v. England represented by English National Champion Alan Elliot and Moss, in the

International Sheepdog

Kennedy discusses Jonathan Miller's television production of

Cosi fan tutte, The Secret Diaries of the Film Censor

(Channel 4) and Ann and Debbie (Granada).

the Fourth Test in Trinidad. 11.45 Weather

governments. Ricardo, top civil servant, is forced into

exile when his government falls; but which eavium should he choose?

10.55 Newsnight including a report from Mark Austin at

11.50 Film: Globe Theatre: Right of Asylum (1978) - a satirical Spanish movie on the impermanence of

12.50 Closedown

10.10 Did you See ...? Ludovic

9.00 Sporting Chance Newsreader Trevor

and dogs.
7.10 Speak Out International link-up between teenagers in the USSR and Britain,

exclamation mark to make it courts, to make doctors pay for acts of negligence. The vesterday. All I can tell you about it is it purports to show that, in the United States, ere as many worried doctors as there are worried victims of their alleged negligence. The same may well be true of British doctors, but that is something we can only guess at from watching the compani-piece to Sue the Doctor, THE WALL OF SILENCE (Channel

CHANNEL 4

eSUE THE DOCTOR (Channel 4,8,15pm)s not, as you might imagine,about a medical woman, it needs only an film about what aggrieved Americans are doing, through the documentary is so up-to-date that it was still being put together

Well Being team have managed to come up with a consultant obstretricism, end what he has to say about the matter gives potential litigants some cause for pessimism. I should have liked to have heard what lawyers representing the victims hed to say about the statement by one doctors' insurance spokesman to the effect that it is plaintiffs' solicitors who are often to blame for the fact that some compensation claims can take up to four years to settle. There is a dismal tootnote to The Wall of Silence.

Radio 4

On long wave. VHF stereo variations at end of Radio 4.
5.55 Shipping 6.00 News Briefing; Westher 6.10 Farming 6.25 Prayer (s)
7.80 News 7.25, 8.25 Sport 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.35 Letters
8.43 Star Smashers of the Galaxy Rangers. Read by Kerry Shate (s) 8.57 Weather; Travel
9.00 News 2.35 They said it with Music America's history told nostalgically in song with Tony flandall, Jason Roberds, Flip Wilson, Jean Stapleton and Bernadetta 4.20 Fair Today Woody Woodpecker cartoon.

9.00 News 9.05 Desert Island Discs. Michael Parlonson talks

9.45 Joyous Days in the Desert. Selections from the writings of Janet Ros With Charle Lunghi and Brian Gear (1)

features of American

economy that make it easier for businesses to realize their potential (r)

11.48 Hampshire Days, P J Kavanegh reads an account of a spider courts from W H Hudson's Hampshire Days'

"Hampshire Days"
12.00 News; Prophets, Gurus
... and Laura Ashley. The
tast of five profiles by Ray

Gosling 12.27 In Other Words ... The Bodgers. Comedy series (s) 12.55 Weather

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2.00 News; Woman's Hour,
Includes an interview
with the oldest woman
mayor in Britain.
3.00 News; The Betrothed. A
story of 17th-century
Milen by Alessandro
Manzoni (4) The Black
Death (1/6)

4.00 News
4.05 The News Huddines.
Roy Hudd, June Whitfield
and Chris Emmett laugh at

the news (r) (s)
4.30 Kaleidoscope, Another

Death (r) (s)

4.30 Countdown Today the first semi-final with Gles Brandreth adjudicating and of course Richard Whiteley hosting. 5.00 Car 54, Where are You? comedy about two cops in New York, one of whom, Toody, is an alleged bigarnist. 5.30 The Tube the 100th 16.00 News; international Assignment, SSC correspondents report from ground the world

edition, last of the current series. Live music from Slouxsie and the around the world

10.30 Morning Story: 'Last
Stop' by Lisa Taylor.
Reader: Fleur Chandler

10.45 Daily Service (new every
morning, page 93) (s)

11.00 News; Travel:
Workforce, Brian
Radhead visits Boston
where he discovers
faatures of American Banshees, Ronnie James Duo and the Waterboys presented by Jools Holland and Paula Yates. 7.00 Channel 4 News Peter Sissons presents the newly extended Friday evening programme; 50 minutes of news to include a special report of a topical issua and an arts

conducted by Zoya Zarubina in Moscow and Mike Smith in London (r). m, followed by the 7.50 Book Choice new series 7.30 Ebony Jermaine Jackson intended to appeal more widely than newspaper Ebony Jermaine Jackson brought up with his four brothers in the Jackson Five group, but now going solo, talks of the influence of Marvin Gaye, his new interest in film-making and going on the Jacksons' Victory tour, widely train newspaper literary reviews - torlight William Boyd talks about a recently published book: James Baldwin's The Evidence of Things Not Seen, Editor Miriam Grose

6.00 What the Papers Say Preelance journalist Peter Mackay reviews the week's papers, 8.09 Moment of Truth Ewen Riddick, studying for an honours degree, mat catastrophe on holiday in Portugal and landed up in 8.15 Well Being: Sue the Stoke Mandeville Hospita fourth in the series of Doctor. First of two documentaries tonight on courageous stories.

8.30 Gardeners' World Geoff Hamilton and Clay Jones visit David Small's health examines the in America. But does the

fear of being sued improve medical treatment? (Oracle) 9.00 The Cosby Show Comedy with a medical background: obstetrician Cliff (Bill Cosby) and his family plan a 49th wedding anniversary for Grandma

9.30 Gardeners' Calenda Hennah Gordon and the RHS team from Wistey advise on grafting apple trees, traditional cottage gardens and keeping a hippeastrum till next year. (Oracle) (r)

10.00 Cheers The Bar Stoolie
The father who deserted
Cliff at the age of nine announces his intention of visiting; the return works out unexpectedly well until Cliff discovers his father's secret life (Oracle) (r)

10.30 Well Being Second health programme tonight on medical negligence in the UK, contrasts attitudes and practices with those in America (Oracle)

11.30 Film: Memed my Hawk (1984) theatrical and stylish frama set in the Twenties in Turkey created by Peter Ustinov who stars as a despotic fandowner, with Michael Elphick and Dennis Gulley as brigands and Herbert Lorn as neighbouring landowner. Comments on love, illusion and honour. 1.30am Closedown

CHOICE ...

the Victims of Madical Negligence, the Davio that has often taken on the Goliath of even higher and thicker thanks to nobody from the General Medical Council being prepared to say anything. However, the

Greville Wynn's account of his spy's tile. If ever proof was needed that in the world of espionege, truth is stranger than fiction, then here it is, in thumphant good measure.My radio choice:the Royel
Philharmonic piaying
Beethoven's seventh and the
Prano Concerto No 1.with Lupu (on Radio 3, at 7.30pm and

the funds evailable to Action for

the British medical profession,

Andrew Carr's crematization of

Will be considerably less from

Also recommended

now on.

Peter Davalle

chance to hear last night's edition of the arts magazine (r)
5.00 PM: News magazine.
5.50 Shipping Forecast.
5.55 Weather s.bs Weather
5.00 News; Financial Report
5.00 Going Places. Clive
Jaccos and tiss team
monitor the world of travel
and transport. Includes a
road test of the Honda twolife Prelixia.

iare Prelude
7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Pick of the Week. Ian
Skamare presents his
selection of extracts from
BBC radio programmes
over the past week
8.20 Stop Press. Geoffrey
Goodman examines Goodman examines what has been in the

newspapers this week
8.45 Any Questions? Marcus
Fox, MP, Austin Mitchell,
MP, Roland Long and Claire
Brooks tackle issues raised by an audience in Wakeheld, Yorkshire 9.30 Letter from America by Airstair Cooks 9.45 Kaleidoscope, Includes

comment on Mephisto at the Barberan.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: 'A Perfect Spy' written and read by John le Carre (15).

10.29 Weather 10.30 The World Tonight 11.15 The Financial World

Tonight 11.30 Week Ending Satirical 11.30 Week Ending Satirical review. (s)
12.00 News: Weather.
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 9.05-10.00 Cet's Whiskers: ptays, songs.quezes (s), 1.55-2.00pm For Schools: Listening Corner (s), 5.50-5.55 PM (continued).

Radio 3 On medium wave. For VHF stereo variations, see end of Fi estings 6.55 Weather, 7.00 News 7.05 Morning Concert: Banjamin (Cottolon suite), Chopin (Andante spianato

and Grand Polona (Vasary: piano), Haydn (Symphony No 100), 8,00 8.05 Morning Concert (contd): Wassenaer (Concerto Wassenaer (Concerto armonico No 1), Ferguson (Four short pi

tonight part one of WYNNE AND PENKOVSKY (BBC 1.9.30pm) Francaix (Wind Qu 1948), Koechlin (Op 165) and Pierre Max Dubois (Saxophone Quartet) (Saxophone Cuarter)
10,45 Langham Chamber
Orchestra (under
Hurwitz); Olga Hegedus,
cello continuo),and Cela

Harper , harpsichord contauo. Purcell (Dances from Fairy Queen). Avison (Concerto in E minor, Op 6 No 8), Bonport (Concerto in F major, Op 11 No 5) 11.25 Hamish Milne: piano

Benson,piano), Borodin (Symphony No 1), 9,00 News 9,05 This Week's Composer: Mozart, German Dancès, K 567: Diversmento in E flat

for string tno, K 563: Boston Chamber Players) 10.00 French Wind Music:

recital of works by Chopin. Includes the Polonaise in C sharp minor, Op 25 No 1; minor, Op 2s No 1:
Impromptu in A flat
major, Op 29; and Scherzo in
C sharp minor, Op 39
12.00 BBC Philharmonic (under
Downes), with Steven
Issertis (callo).Part one.
Stravinsky (Orpheus) and
Tchalkovsky (Rococo
variations), 1.00 News
1.05 Concert (concert).

1.05 Concert (continu Brahms (Symphony No. 2) 1.550 Clarinet and piano recital: Colin Parr and Frank Wibaut, Ireland

(Fentasy Sonata). Stravinsky (Three pPiecds for Solo Clarinet). Debussy (Premiere Rapsode). Rachmaninov (Pretude in D. Op 23 No 4), Horovitz

(Sonatina)
2.35 Walton: the Philharmonia 2.35 Wattor: the Philharmona under the composer play the Symphony No 1 and the Portsmouth Point overture
3.25 Cricket: Second day of the Fourth Test in Trinidad. Continues on medium wave until 5.35
5.30 Gutar Music: Leszlo
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Szendrey-Karper plays works by Johann Kaspar Mertz including

Hungarian recruiting dances, Op1, and Fantaisle Hongroise, Op 65 7.00 Honegger: Quatuor de Geneve play the String Quartet, 1916-1917 7.30 Royal Philhermonic, under Antal Dorati. With Radu Lupu (piano).Part one. Beethoven (Piano

No 3 overture)
8.30 in Place of Strife: talk by Sir Alec Cairncross, former Head of the Government Economic Service 8.50 Concert:part two.

No 7) 9.35 Songs by Finzi, Gounod and Strauss: Maldwyn Davies (tenor), Iam Ledingham (piano). Includes Finzi's Budmouth Dears, Gounod's Chanson de printemps, and Strauss's Helmliche Aufforderung 10.15 The Harlequin Years: musical life in Pans in

gurari, and Gordon Crosse (Dreamsongs) 11.57 News 12.00 Closedo VHF only: 3.25 Mozart and Schumann: Roman Nodakviolini) Gorcon Back (piano), Mozart (Sonata in G major, K 301), Schumenn Fantasy in C, Op 131: 4.00 Chorel Evensong: from Leeds Parish Church: 4.55 News.. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: Radio 2

steep: Pears and Bream), Bosten (Nocturnal: Brasm.

On medium wave. For VHF On medium wave. For VHF stereo, see end of Radio 1. News on the hour (axcept 9.00pm). Headlines 5.30em, 6.30. 7.30, and 5.30. Cricker: Fourth Test. West Indies v England. 1.05pm, 2.02, 3.02, 4.02, 5.05, 6.02, 6.45 (mt only), 7.02, 8.02, 9.55 11.02 9.55, 11.02 4.00am Colin Berry (s) 6.00 Ray 4.0usm Colin berry (s) -0.09 Hay Moore (s) 8.05 Ken Bruce (s) 10.30 Jimmy Young plus legal problems enswered by Andrew Philitips (s) 1.05pm Vance Hill (s) 2.00 Glore Humitord Inci Racing

From Liverpool: 3.10 £20,000 The Glenivel Hurdle (s) 3.20 Music All The Way (s) 4.00 Paul Jones (s) 5.00 John Dunn (s) 5.00 Friday (s) 8.00 John Juhn (s) 8.00 Frody Night is Music Night (s) 9.15 The Organist Entertains introduced by Nigel Ogden (s) 9.55 Sports Dask 10.00 Castle's Corner with Roy Castle 10.30 Marriyn Hall-Swytheith the Landley Organis Smith will the Langlish Orchestra 11.00 Shuari Hall (stereo from midnight) 1.00am Bill Rennells yesents Nomen presents Nightride (S) 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music (S).

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# More misery in a savage winter's tale

were soon in trouble again when the fourth Test match, to him for baving taken five sponsored by Cable and Wire-less, began here vesterday, his previous Test matches Gooch, Gower and Robinson were all out cheaply as the West Indian fast bowling machine ground remorselessly on. At lunch England were 61 for three, Smith having survived only at the expense of a crack on the hard from Patter. crack on the hand from Patter- third slip off bis fourth ball be son that needed the pain-killing spray. was shaping only the most tentative of strokes.

sure, having had yesterday's duck or sway or go to ground sun on it, but it certainly put a in the face of bouncers from

bowling first on this, with only caught by Dujon high to his Thomas and a potentially left off a ball that flew from wayward Botham to take ad-somewhere near a good

It was a wretched pitch for England to he trapped on. The start that no prisoners would he taken. Marshall soon it seemed, for the benefit of the home attack. By today it will be a different colour, I am all times, too. Gower had to the start that no prisoners would he taken. Marshall soon the home attack. By today it right, or front, forearm. Severpremium on winning the toss.

One look at the pitch would Marshall, when he was seven, have been enough to decide that Gower survived a low England to leave out a spin- return catch. But it was Garner. To have bad the chance of ner who got bim, very well

### Manager jumps to Botham's defence

nied that he and his manager, don solicitors, follow an article Tim Hudson, are to split, after in *The Star* on Wednesday, in

and meet Botham in the West report that alleged the manag-er had said: "I'm aware that an absurd suggestion." Ian smokes dope, hut doesn't

But Botham said yesterday sbortly before the start of the fourth Test match in Trinidad: Tim had a change of plan and flew back to London. But it was not because there was any reat row between us. And he is still my agent."

Ian Botham yesterday de- statement issued hy bis Lon-

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against the England player.

It had been thought that Hudson was to fly from Miami never said that I was aware he smaked dope. I expressly stat-Indies to discuss a newspaper ed that lan does not have a report that alleged the managedrugs problem and that it was The statement adds: "The

Star also attributes to me a statement that Ian will quit three-day cricket in the coming season. I did not make such a statement, nor is it true. I emphasized my view that Ian still has a long cricketing career before him. As lan's manager and friend I deplore Hadson yesterday denied all the attacks be has had to saying that Botham uses suffer recently at the hands of drugs. His comments, in a the press."

### Scoreboard

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-29, 3-31. WEST INDIES: C G Greenidge,

was taken low down at first slip by Richards, giving Gar-ner figures of three for 17 in seven overs. When, a couple of overs later, Holding replaced Garoer, he produced a lifting leg-cutter that no-one in the world could have played. Lamb missed it hy inches.

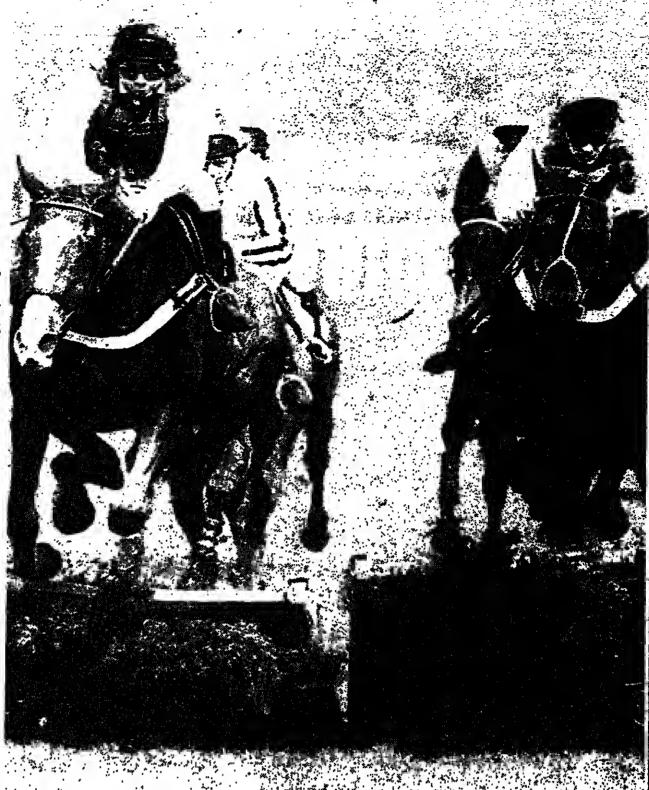
Despite bis lack of batting and shortage of runs, Smith went off at lunch having

played better than anyone. His height was a help to him in getting on top of the rising ball, and twice when Patterson pitched the ball up Smith hit him for four, to square leg and then straight. It was Patterson, though, who struck him as he dropped his wrists to one that reared. In the two hours of the morning West Indies bowled overs and of England's 61 runs ten came from no-balls.

### Cricket tour

David Bairstow will lead a party of 14 Yorkshire county cricketers, including Geoffrey Boycott, on a tour of Jersey and Guernsey from April 11 to 18.

### Aintree greets its first winner



I Bin Zaidoon (right) jumps the last hurdle upsides River Ceiriog, the runner-up, before going on to win at Liverpool for his trainer, Mrs Jenny Pitman, and jockey, Graham McCourt, yesterday (photograph: Ian Stewart). Report, page 29.

**GOLF** 

### Oosterhuis loses grip

From Mitchell Platts, Greensboro, North Carolina

round of the Greater Greensboro Open on the Forest Oaks course here yesterday. But Peter Oosterhuis, who was making a strong challenge with three holes to play, dropped a shot at the 16th then took five at the short 17th to finish with a 73.

Bean, who won the title in 1984, was later joined in the lead by Jim Simons. He had four hirdies in his 68, which

take the early lead in the first score at any time on this course and four of them would

certainly win the championship." Craig Stadler, Howard Twitty and the South African. David Frost, all had rounds of 69. After the disappointment of

his closing shots Oosterhuis said: "I was hoping to make a comeback this week. The trouble is I don't have the confidence in my swing that I should have and I keep having included a 45-foot putt at the two-hole spells, like today,

Andy Bean compiled a 68 to 8th. He said: A 68 is a good which can ruin a whole round. However, I might come over for the PGA Chamnionship " Nick Faldo and Sandy Lyle,

both late starters, appeared to be more likely British contenders than Oosterhuis, who is having a miserable season. with winnings of only \$2,421 (about £1,600), and is currently 170th in the money-list. He cannot, of course, now play regularly on the tour as he finished 130th in last year's prove his ranking hy missing out at the tour school.

Even so, he started well holing from six feet for a hirdie at the 1st. And although he drove into the water at the third, Oosterhuis showed signs of heing in form by hitting an excellent four iron on to the green, so dropping only one shot in the process.

Oosterhuis exchanged shots to par at the 5th and the eighth, although he missed good hirdie opportunities at the fourth and seventh, and he turned in a level-par 36. A bad drive at the 13th seek at th drive at the 13th took the ball to within five feet of being out of bounds, but he still left the the lads who have been racing green with a birdie

**RUGBY UNION** 

### S African tour likely

Wellington (UPI) - A full New Zealand team is expected to tour South Africa next month, but without Government sanction, the New Zea-land Times reported yesterday. The newspaper said that all the players selected for last winter's aborted All Black tour of South Africa had received invitations and that

nearly all had accepted. The proposed 1985 tour was called off after a New Zealand high court ruled that it would he against the principles of the country's rugby union. The New Zealand Times reported that the players had now been invited to make a 12-match tour as individuals and not on hehalf of their country, thus

side-stepping the court ban. The possibility of such a lour is not causing anxiety among officials of this Games in Edinburgh. Several African countries have indicated that rugby tours to South Africa would not cause boycotts of the Commonwealth Games provided the tours were not given official

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### Ovett on right road to 5,000 metres

**ATHLETICS** 

By Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

Twelve years after his first gold medal, in the European championships in Stuttgart this summer. His first race for six months, the Kodak AAA 10-kilometre road championmoney-list then failed to im- ships in Battersea Park tomorrow, will he an indication of how his first endurance-based winter training has

progressed.
Ovett said yesterday:"I honestly haven't made up my mind about the championships yet, but I will be running in more 5,000 metres races this summer. I had a long break after my road races in America in mid-October, and was supposed to he running in Norway a few days ago, but twisting to get me to run on Saturday — but I don't think

Ovett ran in the same race in 1983, finishing fourth bejunior 800 metres, Steve Ovett hind Steve Harris, who will be is preparing for a move up to one of the favourites again 5,000 metres for the Com-monwealth Games in Edin-Newcastle City Centre five-Newcastle City Centre fivehurgh and the European kilometre race last Wednesday. Dave Lewis and Terry Greene, who were second and third respectively in Newcastle, are also competing, as are two of the leading road run-ners on the United States circuit, Mike Musyoki, of Kenya, and Mark Nenow, of the United States, who hold the unofficial world best

Ovett's old rival, Sebastian Coe, who is appearing in the three-kilometre fun run which precedes the championship, is also making the move up to 5,000 metres this season, And, compounding the certainty that the greatest double act in British athletics will continue to run and run, is the fact that the pair are sbaring a stage at the Shaftesbury Theatre on Sunday evening, doing a sketch in Rowan Atkinson's "Comedy Relief" benefit for

SPORT IN BRIEF

BADMINTON

### Dew drops out of **England squad**

From Richard Eaton, Uppsala, Sweden

Denmark in the final of the European championships here on Wednesday night was followed by another damaging development in the Martin

Heaven and earth have been moved to get the European doubles champion to Jakarta for the Thomas Cup finals later this month. The travelling dates of the entire England squad have been alicred, the selectors have overturned manager Jake Downcy's decision to omit him, and weeks of public wrangling have seen Downey struggle to hang on to his job.

Now, having won his battle to be included in the squad and to travel late. Dew has announced he cannot go after all. The reason, he claims, is that his employers in Denmark say that notice is too short to give him three weeks away from his job as an engineer with a high-speed communications network. It seems incredible that this

Royal flavour

Ladies first

record sixth time.

**Pals**' act

Princess Anne and Captain Mark Phillips bave entered the Witton Castle horse trials in County Durham from April 12

Martina Navratilova and

Chris Lloyd, the defending

champion, head the women's line-up for the French Open

tennis championships from May

29 to June 6. Mrs Lloyd beat

Miss Navratilova in the final last

year to secure the title for a

Tough baptism

Gary Donovan and Ian Rosser, both aged 17, can expect

a difficult time when they make their senior British swimming debuts in the international spon-

sored by Sun Life, against the Soviet Union and Holland at

The South African, Peter

Francisco, overpowered the vet-

eran, Fred Davis, in the Embassy

world professional snooker

championship's qualifying tour-

nament at Preston yesterday and

will now meet his best friend.

Coventry on April 12 and 13,

England's 3-2 defeat against problem could not have been

While David Eddy, one of the selectors, has said Dew's explanation was accepted, Downey, who has suffered so much apparently for so little, said: "It makes all the struggle, politics and disputes so futile". He will receive some

sympathy for that statement. Dew's value to the team was emphasized by his and Dipak Tailor's fine performance in losing narrowly 15-9; 12-15, 15-11 to the former world champions, Fladberg and Helledie – a contest that Downey believes would have turned the whole match England's way had they won

Nigel Tier and Gillian Gowers, favourites to win the individual mixed doubles title, were given a tough match Chris Rees and Lesley Roberts, of Wales, before winning 12-15, 15-12, 15-11. Phil Sution was beaten 15-9, 15-12, by Sweden's No 3, Jonas Herrgardh.

SWIMMING

### England pre-select

four of their leading swimmers for the Commonwealth Games. The Amateur Swimming Associatioo (ASA) announced yesterday that Adrian Moorhouse (breast-stroke), Sarah Hardcastle (freestyle), and Andrew Jameson and Caroline Cooper. both (butterfly), will not he

breaststroke, MissHardcastle for the 400 and 800 metres freestyle. Miss Hardcastle is also Britain's leading 400 metres medley competitor hut the selectors have decided that she must compete in the trials of that event in order to secure

# England have pre-selected

required to compete in next month's trials at Coventry.

They are automatically se-lected for Edinburgh, assuming they do not suffer any serious injury or illness before then. England are following the lead of Scotland, who preselected eight of their squad last year. Derek Stubbs, the ASA's new director of swimming, said: "This is the first time we have done this and it is quite a breakthrough."

Moorhouse has been selected for the 100 and 200 metres

Olympics." Some \$300 million (about £200m) is to be spent on winter sports facilities within four years if the Bulgarians are appointed hosts, within eight years if not. Hubert Spiess and Fred Roesner, Austrians who are both on the International

> and Nordic courses. A bob-run, with properly designed viewing stands, will operate all round the year, with a synthetic surface re-"To keep the Olympics alive, the IOC has to look at

Federation Council, have been appointed to design the Alpine

might

benefit

Sofia

the last of the season's Alnine rents here, the Aleko ( hey have inevitably been g ou their ice. Solia, like Birming

ittee (IOC) that they

ser proximity than any of other potential hosts for

"We're newcomers in this campaign and already it has become a kind of burden, with

we have already been award the Games!" says the gregari-ous Ivan Shavkov, chairman of

bloc of eastern Europeans and

sion. Since the Soviet bloc i

known to be anti-Spanish/American, the sup-position must be that the bargain will be votes for Paris

in exchange for allegiance to Sofin. If this should be so, then it may be difficult for Birming-

ham to get the 15 or so first

round votes they will need to

round votes they will meet to remain in the ring.

Already some 30 IOC mem-bers have visited Solia, with another 20 expected, twice the number likely to see Birming-

ham, and the strategic negotia-tions will continue for another

six months yet. Balgaria's IOC member is the veteran

equestrian, General Vladimir Stoichev, who is in his nineties

and still as bright as can be.
The General competed in the 1924 Olympics in Paris and it is amusingly alleged that whenever an IOC collegement arrives here he is

league arrives here he is greeted by the General ex-claiming nostalgically: "I'm voting for Paris, what about

The emotional mood of Sa-

rajevo in 1984 was memorable

for the friendly informality of

the Yugoslavs, and the Bulgar-

ians can create the same

Olympic flavour. There are

also the advantages of a major

international airport and es-

tablished modern hotels,

tions as well as a cultural background. They may not bave the winter sports tradi-tions of Falun, Lillehammer,

Cortina, Bertchesgarden, Al-bertville or Anchorage, but

they can provide an exception-

ally compact complex of

events. This is their platform.

friends on the 10C, that Article 34 of the Charter is

remembered, that the Olym-

pics are supposed to be awarded to a city, not a country, with

one Olympic village and the

various sports close at hand."

Slavkov says. "Otherwise a

country can organize a kind of

ships which are not the real

diversified world champic

"We shall insist, through

transport and telecommunic

smaller countries, to get away from the hattle of strategic political balance," Slavkov says. "In the first Olympics in 1896 there were 13 countries, including Bulgaria. Only four of those have never had a Games and only Bulgaria have not among the present smanner and winter contenders, now that Dethi have withdrawn."

Slavkov also acknowledges that half the IOC members. from countries with no snow and with no competitors going to the winter Games, are concerned with alleviances other than to the athletes. Sofia's advantage is that, of the other winter candidates. nnly Anchorage and Lillehammer are compact sites. All the others, including

Falna, the supposed favourites, are spread over wide distances. Albertville and Bertchesgarden, indeed, would be spread over many separate

David Miller

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### Beckenham faulted

all winter.

London (AP) - The ruling body of British tennis has told the organizers of the Becken-ham touroament to reconsider inviting Jimmy Connors to play there while he is serving a 10-week suspension. lan Peacock, chief executive

of the Lawn Tennis Association, said that allowing the American to play in the pre-Wimbledon tournament from June 2 to 8 would defeat the purpose of the suspension imposed by the Men's Inter-national Professional Tennis Council.
"It is our view that we

should support the spirit of the disciplinary action," Pea-cock said. "Under Imernational Tennis Federation rules, we certainly could not offer financial support or sanction an event which allowed a player under suspen-sion to take part."

### Salute Cannons

Cannons, the London squash rackets club, are the new American Express Premier League champions after winning 4-1 at Edgbaston Priory in their last



match of the season. They

pipped Ardleigh Hall after the Essex side could only beat Manchester Northern 3-2.

### Blake move

Sharp Manchester United, the Carlsberg National Basketball League champions, was appointed yesterday coach to HomeSpare Bolton, the strug-gling first division side. Blake, a Blackpool schoolteacher, takes over from American Mark Stevens who was player-coach for

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